

## OIL WELL RIGGING NOW BEING ERECTED

Fagan & Fagan, of Robinson, Ill., contractors, have arrived in Sikeston with a corps of workmen and are now on the job of putting up one of the largest drilling outfits ever erected in the United States. Before the end of the week the derrick will be ready for the drillers and the first of the coming week the work of sinking the first of the Semo oil wells will be under way.

The road to the ground through Vanduser is now being put in order and the Semo Company are building a private road right up to their property that those interested may visit the workers at any time and see the derrick in operation.

The first test well being sunk is an 18-inch well and will be the largest ever sunk in Southeast Missouri. Other wells are to follow on different leases controlled by the Semo Development Ass'n., and their geologist feels absolutely certain that oil in paying quantity will be found on their leases. This will mean much to this section of Missouri and put the stockholders on easy street. There has never been an oil well sunk but what outside capital furnished the money and if oil was found reaped the benefit. Only a limited amount of stock has been sold outside of the Sikeston District. Those who have purchased the stock of the Semo Development Co. did so to help develop the country and at the same time get the benefits if oil in paying quantities is found.

## POLES WHIP A LEGISLATOR WHO MISREPRESENTED THEM

Warsaw, April 1.—Peasants of Western Galicia have set a new fashion of using the cat-o-nine-tails to rebuke a Legislator who failed to carry out the wishes of the voters of his district.

Michael Marck, a peasant member of the Polish Diet, went home to Galicia recently to report progress of his work. A special meeting was called by his constituents to hear all that their leader had accomplished.

Incidentally, Marck informed those assembled that he had voted in favor of an upper house, or senate, for Poland's next diet, which virtually all peasants of the State opposed, considering it the future stronghold of social reactions.

Marck was permitted to finish his speech—then he was taken out into the yard and given 25 strokes with a home-made cat-o-nine-tails, for voting against the judgment of his constituents.

Luke Mathews notices where a lady at Tickville one day last week entertained with a miscellaneous shower, but he has been unable to find any record of such in the almanac.



## "Finicky Folks"

Most of our customers are "Finicky Folks"—it's our particular delight to please them.

We find that our modern family laundry service most appeals to the most particular people.

We're sure, therefore, it will appeal to you. You'll appreciate the quality of it, and you'll be pleased with its economy, too.

And it saves you time as well as money—we wash and iron everything but a few pieces which you can easily iron at home.

Try this new wash-way—bundle up everything that needs washing and phone us tomorrow.

**Sikeston Electric  
Laundry Co.**

Phone 165

## UTILITIES COMPANY GRANTED A RAISE

Jefferson City, March 31.—Electricity rates in sixteen towns in Southeast Missouri served by the Public Utilities Company, were ordered increased today by the Missouri Public Commission. An increase in water rates at Cape Girardeau also was granted. The towns affected and the percentage of increase follow: Cape Girardeau, water, 20 per cent; electricity, 4 1/2 per cent; Charleston, 13.9; Sikeston, 76; Chaffee, Dexter, Dudley, East Prairie, Fisk, Illinois, Fournell, Morehouse, Oran, Morley Blodgett and Bertrand all 10.6 per cent increase on light.

The Utilities Commission retained jurisdiction and may if there is a big decrease in the cost of fuel or labor, reduced these rates. The new rates are to become effective April 6. The cases have been pending since April 23, 1920. The increase granted approximately 30 per cent of the raises asked by the company, which serves all of the towns named.

## WOULD MAKE TARIFF RELIEVE FARMERS OF FREIGHT BURDEN

Washington, April 1.—Protection for the farmers on an equality with manufacturers and industrial interests in any tariff policy which is to be decided upon and adding to any rates which may be levied "an amount equal to the extra freight charges in getting products to the consuming centers" is urged in a statement by Secretary Wallace. The "heavy additional burden" imposed on the producers by increased freight rates, the Secretary declared "are a differential imposed upon our own producers and to the benefit of our foreign competitors."

Manufacturers are "naturally and properly" laying plans to meet foreign competition in the world markets and desire a tariff to protect them against cheap foreign goods, Wallace asserted, but he insisted that the situation facing the producers "must be considered" in any tariff legislation, whether emergency or permanent. Producers, he said, are getting prices below cost of production, "not alone because of inactive business conditions at home, but because of the importations of competing foreign markets."

The nation "cannot afford to permit the breaking down of its own agriculture," the Secretary continued, "even if for a time we can buy food and other farm products cheaper from some one else." At present, he said, there is a large surplus of agricultural products, but "this will not continue, because the population is growing and consumption will catch up with production."

## Napoleon's Palace a Public Resort.

Vienna, April 2.—Schoenbrunn, the imperial chateau where once dwelt Maria Theresa and where Napoleon Bonaparte planned his 1805 and 1809 campaigns in Austria, will be turned over to the people of Vienna as a public monument and recreation ground. Belvidere Palace, another noble chateau in this city, may become a gambling casino, according to reports. It is considered one of the most beautiful estates in Austria.

## Sunflower Seed Good Price.

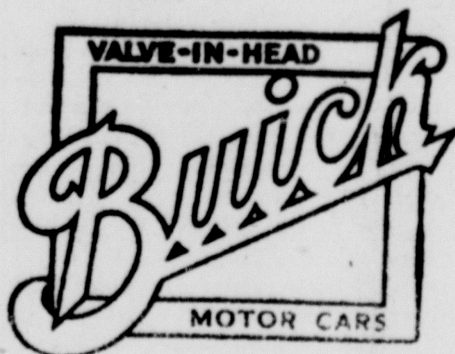
The first shipment of six cars of second grade sunflower seed from the warehouses of the Southeast Missouri Co-operative Sunflower Growers Association, went to the Trenton mill of the American Cotton Oil Co. recently. This lot of seed has been sold f. o. b. loading station at a good price. Recent chemical analysis of the meal show that its feeding value is virtually the same as cotton seed meal.

Laboratory tests of sunflower seed oil are said to have been so successful that it is believed here and entirely new and almost unlimited market has been developed for the second grade seed which heretofore has been used only in mixed and scratch feeds and then only in limited quantities.

The growers' association, backed by the Farm Bureau Federation, is using every effort to have sunflower seed included in the list of articles on which a tariff is to be placed by congress. A tariff of 2 cents a pound on seed and 20 cents a gallon on the oil is being asked.—West Plains Gazette.

Mrs. J. W. Winchester and Miss Anita were visitors in Cairo Saturday.

## The BUICK at Your Door---



Buick ownership nowadays denotes the thoughtful buyer—the man who sifts the markets. For men are studying cars and analyzing them as never before, weighing, in cold-blooded fashion, value against price.

And Buick confidently welcomes the closest scrutiny—the most rigid comparisons of price, appearance, power and performance. The more you dig into Buick the more impressed you become with the wonderful piece of machinery it is; a collection of mechanical units each correct in itself yet co-ordinated and properly related to other units so as to make up a well-engineered car.

The Buick Valve-in-Head motor car today is a genuine transportation value that can only be equaled by another Buick.

Get one at YOUR door.

## Taylor Implement and Automobile Company

### Edison's Opinion of the Eight Hour Day.

Perhaps there is no more popular and hard working man than Thomas A. Edison, America's wizard inventor. When he expresses his opinion of anything it is usually worth consideration by most of us. Speaking of the trend of modern labor, he says:

"I am not against the eight hour day, or any other thing that protects labor from exploitation at the hands of ruthless employers. But it makes me sad to see young Americans shackle their abilities by blindly conforming to rules which force the industrious man to keep step with the shirker. I have always felt that one of the principal reasons for American progress in the past has been that every man had a chance to become whatever he wanted to be."

"Today I am wondering what would have happened to me by now if fifty years ago some fluent talker had converted me to the theory of the eight hour day and convinced me that it was not fair to my fellow-workers to put forth my best efforts in my work. 'I am glad that the eight hour day had not been invented when I was a young man. If my life had been made up of eight hour days I do not believe I could have accomplished a great deal. This country would not amount to as much as it does if the young men of fifty years ago had been afraid that they might earn more than they were paid. There ought to be some labor leader strong enough to make trade unions a means for fitting their members for better jobs and greater responsibilities.'"

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Horne, Mrs. G. C. Greenway, Mrs. Vance Montgomery, Misses Glenda and Mary Elizabeth Montgomery, Tylene Kendall and Jewell Scott, spent Saturday in Cairo.

The Catholic ladies will hold their annual Fancy and Apron Sale Wednesday, April 13th at the home of Mrs. Bettie Matthews. Chicken sandwiches, coffee and cake will be served.

Mrs. Sayers Tanner and Miss Mary Blanton will entertain Tuesday night with a "gift shower" given in compliment to Mrs. Chester Kassel, formerly Miss Iva Milem. The affair will be given at Mrs. Tanner's country home, northwest of town.

### FARMER'S WIFE FINDS ASTONISHING RELIEF

"For ten long years I had suffered with my stomach. I tried everything without relief, but after one dose of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy I knew I had obtained what I had been looking for and I took the full course of treatment. It is going on 4 years now and I have never had any pains or bloating since." It removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract, and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded at Hess & Co., and Druggists Everywhere.

Miss Mary Wilson spent Sunday in Oran, the guest of Mrs. Arthur Baumgartner.

Mrs. J. Lay returned Saturday night from St. Louis and Collinsville, Ill., where she visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sikes entertained with five table for Bridge, Thursday evening at their home, 407 South Kingshighway.

Mrs. J. Fred Bowman and son have returned from Cape Girardeau, where they have been guests of Mr. Bowman's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Cottle.

Mrs. Ella Old, Mrs. Emma Kendall, Mrs. Wallace Applegate and little Lillian Gail Applegate are visiting relatives in Commerce for a few days.

Mrs. Frank Mount, who, last week, submitted to an operation at St. Mary's Infirmary, Cairo, is reported well on the road to recovery. Her doctors think she may be allowed to return home the first of next week.

The meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held this week on Thursday afternoon instead of Wednesday. The Woman's Missionary society will meet Wednesday afternoon. Both meetings will be held in the parlors of the M. E. Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Spradling, Miss Nina Spradling of Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kassel of Cape Girardeau came down Sunday by automobile for a visit with relatives. The Spradlings visited Mrs. Spradling's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moll. The Kassels were guests of Mrs. Kassel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Milem.

### Wallace Applegate left Sunday on a business trip to St. Louis.

Sam Ulen of Dexter spent a few hours in Sikeston Saturday.

Miss Margery Smith returned Saturday from a visit to Lilbourn.

Miss Bernice Waltemate of Poplar Bluff visited friends here over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Loebe and Master J. P. visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Loebe in Charleston Sunday.

Carroll Myer, Tom Baty, Hodge Decker and Fred Rodman spent Sunday and Sunday night in Cairo.

Barney Forrester, Dick Watkins, Clyde Boutwell and Jeff Myer were among the several Sikestonians who spent Sunday in Oran.

Mrs. J. R. Bowman, Miss Marguerite Bowman and Bob Goodwin of Jackson motored to Sikeston Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Nellie Estes and Miss Grace Estes.

Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews, who are living near Blodgett, came down last week to remain for several days. John has been in bad health for some time and came to be treated by a Sikeston physician.

Missouri is the "Land of Opportunity" both for the investor and the home-builder, since more than ten millions of acres still await the molding hand of the dairyman, poultryman and live stock producer who will within the next five years flock to central and southern Missouri where they can buy cheap land at low prices or improved land at a cost much below the more northern Corn Belt and dairy states.

N. E. Fuchs of Sikeston, who recently purchased the Majestic Hotel (Wedge) was a Lilbourn business visitor Wednesday, to investigate the complaint made as to sewerage from the hotel, which are going through septic tank empties into a ditch the odors from which have been annoying for several years. Mr. Fuchs finds the septic tank to be in good working order at the present time and residue of water coming from it to be clear as crystal and free from odor, hence as far as the hotel is concerned, there should be no complaint. It appears that lime and other substances were put in the tank last year which made it inoperative.—Lilbourn Herald.

## MACK HIGGINS HOME ENTERED BY THIEVES

Sunday evening, between 9 and 10 o'clock, during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Higgins, their home on Dorothy Street was entered by someone who, ransacked the place thoroughly and left taking articles of clothing belonging to Mr. Higgins and his son, also a watch and stick pin. Eggs and a pitcher of butter milk were stolen from the refrigerator.

The pitcher was emptied and thrown in the alley back of the house.

Scattered about the neighborhood Monday morning various pieces of discarded clothing were found. The thief evidently arrayed himself in the better garments he had stolen.

Charred matches were found in every room of the house.

## LOOS CARNIVAL COMPANY FOR SIKESTON FAIR

A contract has been signed whereby the Loos Carnival Company will furnish amusement for the 1921 Southeast Missouri District Fair. The Loos Company, reputed one of the best on the road, includes fifteen shows and five riding devices. Thirty cars are required to transport the 350 people and the equipment employed in the shows.

The shows include an interesting exhibition of war relics, upon which lectures are given at frequent intervals during each afternoon and evening.

Noah's Ark, a novel mechanical device, demonstrates to the visitors the "rocking of the boat" to which Noah and his varied passengers probably were subjected while the flood raged.

Other side-splitting attractions are "Room 202" and "Dinty Moore's Saloon", the front of which is decorated with many familiar "Bringing Up Father" cartoons.

A small, representative, menagerie is one of the principal attractions, with its lions, monkeys, cockatoos, snakes, and a dozen other animals of different kinds not seen every day.

The Hawaiian village is the chief dancing attraction and there are "Dixie Minstrels" to provide music and comedy.

Other attractions are the Motor-drome, the Skelton Man, Jungle Land, Nemo, the Tallest Man on Earth, the Lilliputian Village, a Marionette Show, the Smallest Mother and Baby, Ferris Wheel, Merry-go-round, Whip, Aeroplane Whirl. There are glass blowers, fire eaters and a circus of trained fleas, a freak animal show which contains a cow with two extra legs growing out of her back, a horse with a camel's back, another horse with eight legs instead of four, a three legged sheep, a goat with four horns, a rabbit with only one ear and having five feet instead of four, four-footed chickens and ducks with chicken feet.

By gazing through a powerful microscope, one may see the Lord's Prayer cut clearly on the head of an ordinary small pin. Each letter stands out like printing.

A splendid carnival band furnishes music when the shows are open.

E. J. Mahoney of Dexter transacted business in this city Monday.

Mrs. Earl Johnson and Mrs. Earl Malone shopped in Cairo Monday.

When money talks we never stop to criticize its grammar.—Chicago News.

Some of the copper coins used by the ancients were as large as dinner plates.

Doc Olds, Dick Watkins and Miss Lola Medcalf spent (a week) in Morley Sunday afternoon.

Charles Blanton and Regs Potashnick were visitors in Cape Girardeau Sunday afternoon. Misses Gretchen Dunaway and Laura Ruhl accompanied them as far as Morley.

In England a sentence of life imprisonment is always reviewed at the end of 15 years, and if the prisoner's conduct has been uniformly good, he is usually released. This is particularly the case where a prisoner has been sentenced for murder, for murderers are usually well-behaved prisoners.

Ten or twelve autos filled with Sikeston baseball fans motored to East Prairie Sunday to see the game between Sikeston and East Prairie. The game was only a practice game and a most uninteresting one at that, Sikeston beating the East Prairie nine 10-2. An effort is being made to get the Dexter team here for a game next Sunday.

## EARL SAMS HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

A disastrous fire, which occurred between 11 and 12 o'clock Sunday evening, destroyed the house on Prosperity Street, which was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sams. The family was not at home and the fire had gained such headway before being discovered, that the volunteer fire fighters were unable to control the flames or to save any of the contents of the building.

It is reported that Sams and some friends, all of whom were intoxicated, had been there a short time before and it is thought a lighted cigarette or match carelessly thrown aside, started the fire. The building belonged to Miss Eva Carter, who carried about \$1500 insurance. Sams had about \$1100 insurance on furniture and clothing.

The Finance Committee of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau held a meeting here Monday afternoon to check up returns in the drive for funds, now on. The lists totaled a little over the \$20,000, but it was decided to continue to solicit subscriptions until every man in Southeast Missouri, who should be a member, is lined up.

Work is centered this week on Pemiscot County. All counties are doing fine and lining up splendidly. A call will soon be issued for election of directors.

Miss Ruth DeWitt spent the week end in Kennett, the guest of Miss La Verne Tucker.

Miss Alfreda Denton was down from Cape Girardeau to spend Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Denton.

Mrs. Clarence Davis and children came Friday from Charleston to join Mr. Davis, who is employed in the offices of the Sikes-McMullin Grain Company. They expect to move into the house now occupied by Harry Dover.

Miss Gladys Strickland will arrive the latter part of the week from Chicago for an extended visit at the Dr. H. J. Stewart home. Miss Strickland made many friends during her stay here last year who will be glad to learn of her coming visit.

LOST—Goodyear molded tire. Lost on streets of Sikeston or close by. An old tire. Notify Tanner Dye.



## Music while you dine

Seated at your own table, in the comfort of your own home, you can summon the world's greatest artists to entertain your guests, your family and yourself on the Victrola. Such an accompaniment to the meal adds much to its enjoyment and brightens the whole occasion.

Let us show you the attractive Victrola models. There is one to match your furnishings.



**DERRIS, THE DRUGGIST**  
Sikeston, Missouri.



## SKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAYS  
AT SKESTON, MISSOURI.Entered at the Postoffice at Skeston,  
Scott County, Missouri, as second-  
class mail matter, according to act  
of Congress.THE STANDARD is the only paper in  
Scott County that is published  
twice-a-week; for newspaper read-  
ers wanting the news while it is  
news, and for advertisers desiring  
quick results, it is the best medium.The Standard announces the follow-  
ing new rates for advertising effective  
August 1, 1920:Display advertising, per single column  
inch, net .....25c  
Reading notices per line.....10c  
Financial statements for banks.....\$6.00  
Probate notices, minimum.....\$5.00The Standard announces the follow-  
ing new rates for subscription effective  
September 1, 1920:Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott  
and adjoining counties.....\$2.00  
Yearly subscription elsewhere in  
United States.....\$2.50  
No renewal allowed at present rate  
for longer than one year.Foreign Advertising Representative  
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATIONThe parties from Skeston who  
have been visiting certain parties in  
the vicinity of Salcedo and Tanner  
and returning with bootleg whiskey  
are known. The parties in the vicin-  
ity of Salcedo and Tanner make regu-  
lar trips via the Gulf line, south,  
and return with heavily laden valises.  
A hint to the wise is sufficient.W. C. Morse, superintendent of the  
Missouri Division of the Missouri Pa-  
cific, with headquarters in Poplar  
Bluff has tendered his resignation of  
that position, having accepted the po-  
sition of vice-president and general  
manager of the Louisiana Railroad &  
Navigation Company, which railroad  
operates between Shreveport and New  
Orleans—a road of about 600 miles.  
His new headquarters will be at  
Shreveport.In a conversation with the editor of  
the Democrat a few days ago, R. M.  
Finney stated that while some of our  
people consider that times are very  
hard at present, it is nothing to com-  
pare with conditions following the civil  
war. There was no money then to  
buy anything with, but the people got  
down to work and got by without it.  
Every family had its cards and looms  
and carded and spun both wool and  
cotton thread, which was woven into  
cloth for clothing for every member  
of the family. For coffee they used  
parched wheat. Every family had a  
gritter to grit corn, when they ran  
out of old corn, before the new was  
hard enough to grind; and for sweet-  
enein' they had to depend to a large  
extent on country sorghum. In fact,  
each community was practically  
thown on its own resources. Imagine  
conditions like that, and appreciate  
the fact that you are living in the  
present generation.—Dunklin Demo-  
crat.The Story of  
Our StatesBy JONATHAN BRACE  
IV.—GEORGIAON JANU-  
ARY 2,  
1788, Georgia  
accepted the  
Constitution  
and became  
the fourth  
state in the  
Union. The settlement of Georgia  
was conceived as a buffer  
against the depredations of the  
Spaniards and Indians, whose  
invasions of South Carolina had  
reached a climax in 1715 with a  
raid in which four or five hun-  
dred settlers had been massacred.  
To protect South Carolina from  
future invasions James Oglethorpe  
planned a colony to the south,  
and in 1732 he obtained from  
George II a grant of land. The new  
territory was consequently named  
Georgia, after the king. The deed  
stated that the land was granted  
"in trust for the poor." This referred  
to Oglethorpe's plan to have as  
the settlers the insolvent debtors  
who, according to the laws of  
that time in England, were  
cast into prison. Many of these  
were released from prisons and,  
re-enforced by some Germans  
and Scotch Highlanders, found-  
ed the town of Savannah in 1733  
and rapidly spread up and down  
the coast, where successful  
plantations of rice and indigo  
soon became established. Georgia  
continued to prosper until the  
population of its 59,295  
square miles entitles it to a rep-  
resentation of 14 presidential  
electors.  
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## Whom Does It Represent?

In view of the fight that is being  
waged by the Missouri Federation of  
Commercial Clubs for the "pork-bar-  
reling" of the \$60,000,000 road bond  
funds among the counties of the  
state, it is pertinent to ask and de-  
mand unequivocal answers to these  
questions:What is the Missouri Federation of  
Commercial Clubs? What recognized  
commercial clubs of the state are  
members of it, pay dues and author-  
ize A. Lyman Donlin and I. R. Kelso,  
both of St. Louis by the way, to  
voice officially its sentiment on all  
matters of importance? What com-  
mercial clubs are represented by the  
gentlemen whose names are signed to  
the published statement opposing the  
primary road plan? For instance,  
what organization in St. Louis County  
is represented by Sam D. Hodgdon,  
by Louis N. Renfrow and E. P. Lamp-  
kin in St. Louis, and Heber Nations  
in Cole County?All those mentioned have an in-  
disputable right to voice their indi-  
vidual opinions as to the best man-  
ner of spending the \$60,000,000 road  
money, but since they set forth that  
they represent the commercial clubs  
of Missouri, the progressive citizens  
of the state most certainly have the  
right to ask for their credentials. Are  
they authorized to speak for the com-  
mercial clubs of St. Joseph, Joplin,  
Springfield, Chillicothe, Caruthers-  
ville, Marshall, Fulton, Fayette, Jeffer-  
son City, Mexico, Sedalia, Skeston  
and Moberly?The questions are inspired by the  
fact that charges have been made and  
up to this time not satisfactorily an-  
swered that the Missouri Federation  
of Commercial Clubs is a mere skele-  
ton organization, of composed chief-  
ly of Messrs. Donlin and Kelso and  
representing but a mere handful of  
Missourians. The Star does not pre-  
tend to know the actual situation  
with reference to its strength and in  
order that the state may be enabled  
to obtain a correct estimate of it,  
throws its columns open to Mr. Kelso  
and Mr. Donlin, not for generalities  
and propaganda, but for actual cor-  
roborated proofs that it does represent  
the commercial interests of the state  
or any considerable part of them.Until this evidence is forthcoming  
in conclusive form, we suggest that  
statements emanating from the Mis-  
souri Federation be regarded merely  
as the private opinions of the gen-  
tlemen whose names are attached and  
treated for what they are worth as  
individual expressions.—St. Louis  
Star.

## The Irish Problem.

"Sir Philip Gibbs is a friend of  
mine," said Father Duffy in his Sun-  
day night lecture on the Irish ques-  
tion. "I admire him very much for  
his personal qualities and for his  
work." Father Duffy had already  
shown his friendship by pleading for  
fair play at a turbulent Gibbs meet-  
ing. At the same hour Sir Philip  
was paying a tribute to Father Duffy  
as "a gallant man, a gentleman and  
a sportsman". By thus proving that  
an Englishman and an American of  
Irish blood who favors the Irish re-  
public can discuss the future of the  
hapless island in a kindly spirit,  
maintaining the courtesies of de-  
bate while sharply disagreeing as  
to politics—that they can even agree  
on one thing, which is that there  
should be no war between the United  
States and Great Britain—these  
eminent debaters have rendered a  
service to their countrymen and blood  
brothers in a troublous time. For  
that is the spirit in which the Irish  
question must be settled, whenever it  
is settled and no matter how. Peace  
will not come by shooting police of-  
ficers in their beds or by equality  
bloody reprisals against Sinn Fein  
towns. The trouble must be ended  
by debate, discussions and decision in  
which the ordinary decencies are ob-  
served, or it will never be ended.—  
New York World.The sale of intoxicating drinks  
was prohibited in England as early  
as the reign of the Saxon King Ed-  
gar, who closed hundreds of ale  
houses.The Missouri Farm Bureau Federa-  
tion will shortly distribute sample  
Farm Bureau buttons to each of the  
counties in Missouri. These buttons  
have been adopted by the American  
Farm Bureau Federation Executive  
Committee and are recommended to  
all counties in the United States.Now that the Mississippi River  
Commission is to complete the Levee  
on St. John Bayou Bottom and  
thereby protect from possible over-  
flow 200,000 acres of land in New  
Madrid, Scott and Mississippi coun-  
ties from overflow, for all time, New  
Madrid business men are looking for-  
ward to the big trade that will come  
to us in a couple of years. The land  
to be reclaimed is the most fertile  
in the United States and will be  
quickly made the homes of thousands  
of prosperous farmers.—New Mad-  
rid Record.

## Will Land Values Drop?

You who own land or are thinking  
of buying, lately have wondered, "Are  
land values going to depreciate along  
with the general deflation of prices?"  
The value of farm land during the  
past year decreased seven per cent,  
says the Department of Agriculture.  
Here is its estimate of the average  
value of an acre of plow land in the  
United States:March 1, 1914.....\$52.94  
March 1, 1916.....58.00  
March 1, 1917.....62.17  
March 1, 1918.....68.28  
March 1, 1919.....74.31  
March 1, 1920.....90.01  
March 1, 1921.....83.78The drop in farm land values has  
been greatest in southern states—22  
per cent in Georgia and 24 per cent  
in Kentucky. That's due to the cotton  
and tobacco situation.Iowa has the highest-priced farm  
land—averaging \$200 an acre, com-  
pared with \$219 a year ago.The lowest rate of decline was in  
western states. California,  
Oregon and Colorado even showed an  
increase.Farm land values, however, are  
higher now than in any year up to  
1920. The slump is due to the crash  
in prices of farm products. Whether  
the slump will continue during the  
next few years, depends on the sell-  
ing price of farm products.Probably the depreciation is only  
temporary. Single taxers, at least,  
will claim so. Their theory is that  
the trend of land values, as popula-  
tion becomes more dense, is always  
upward and that land values steadily  
absorb all increase in wealth produc-  
ed by man's labor and inventiveness.As for city land, it is subject to  
the same economic laws as farm  
land.Land may decline in value, as  
measured by dollars, in line with gen-  
eral lowering of cost of living, but  
the owner doesn't really lose, for his  
dollars will buy more.—Missouri  
State Journal.

## Hog Cholera Can Be Prevented.

The prevalence of hog cholera is  
not only unnecessary but is due to  
poor management and lack of co-op-  
eration among owners of hogs. This  
is the opinion of Professor J. C. Logan  
of the Department of Agriculture in  
the Southeast Missouri State College.  
Mr. Logan is an expert in methods of  
hog cholera prevention and spent a  
part of last week working with Coun-  
ty Agent Hensley of New Madrid  
Co., in demonstrating methods of hog  
cholera vaccination. He finds that  
this disease is pretty well control-  
led throughout Southeast Missouri.  
He says, however, that all owners of  
herds should vaccinate whenever there  
is possibility of a spread of the dis-  
ease. Owners should not await until  
the disease appears in their herds be-  
fore vaccinating. Mr. Logan is keenly  
interested in stamping out hog  
cholera throughout Southeast Mis-  
souri. He will work with all the  
county agents of this section to this  
end whenever they call on him.Americans Sentenced in Bergdoll Kid-  
naping Released.Washington, March 31.—The War  
Department today announced that  
Carl Nouf and Franz Zimmer, the  
two Americans imprisoned in Ger-  
many for an attempt to kidnap Grov-  
er Cleveland Bergdoll, American draft  
deserter, were released at noon today.The release was ordered by the  
Berlin Foreign Office, Brigadier-Gen-  
eral H. T. Allen, commanding at  
Coblenz, reported. The German Com-  
missioner at Coblenz, after a tele-  
phone conversation with Berlin, no-  
tified Gen. Allen at noon today that  
the sentences had been remitted  
"pending good behavior," and that  
the men probably would reach Cob-  
lenz tomorrow.A good thing to remember these  
days is that Socialism, I. W. W.-ism,  
Communism, Bolshevism and Nonpar-  
tisan Leagueism are all alike in their  
ultimate outcome. They all mean the  
forcible taking from the people of the  
things which they possess and the  
substitution of the despotism of a  
class for our free Republican-Demo-  
cratic institutions.—Iola Register.It is a far cry from lifting a tack  
by means of magnetism to the lifting  
of massive iron plates weighing four,  
six and twelve tons by this same  
force, which is now done every work-  
day in a number of large steel works.  
Electromagnetism, of course, is uti-  
lized, the form of the magnet being  
usually rectangular for this work and  
presenting a flat surface to the plates  
lifted. The magnets are suspended  
by chains from cranes, and pick up  
the plates by simple contact. The  
metal plates can be lifted by the mag-  
net while still so hot that it would  
be impossible for men to handle  
them. The ratio of weight lifted  
varies with the machine; in some  
cases this ratio is 30. A magnet is  
operated by current from a dynamo,  
controlled by switches and rheostats.GERMANY "PREPARES"  
SAYS FRENCH LEADERParis, March 27.—Marshal Fayol-  
le, who commanded the French  
group of armies at the battle of the  
Somme and later commanded French  
divisions on the Italian front, de-  
clared in an exclusive interview to-  
day that German is earnestly pre-  
paring for a new war, and that un-  
less the allies took firm action at once  
they never would carry out the Ver-  
sailles treaty."The Germans are pursuing mili-  
tary preparations in an underhanded  
manner," the French warrior declar-  
ed, "and the allies must act with de-  
termination now, for later Germany  
will be so strong that we will be un-  
able to impose our will upon her.""Official information received from  
Germany shows that despite the stipu-  
lation of the treaty our former ad-  
versaries have not discontinued ag-  
gressive preparations. They are camou-  
flaging cannon and machine  
guns, and, above all, are forwarding  
a huge aviation programme.""We forbade them to build war  
airplanes, but permitted them to  
continue the manufacture of com-  
mercial machines. Anyone knows  
how easily these could be transform-  
ed in a few hours to bombing planes.""It may be expected that in the  
next conflict, immediately war is de-  
clared and perhaps even before, Lon-  
don and Paris will be deluged with  
bombs from these commercial air  
squadrons.""The Germans then will bomb fac-  
tories and railroads, hampering mo-  
bilization and frightening the popu-  
lation. The Germans are not chang-  
ed by war. Some day one of the  
Hohenzollerns will return to Berlin.  
Everything seems bent now toward a  
crisis.""Germany always will remain the  
same, tenacious and industrious, but  
cunning and pugnacious. Some people  
train wolves as watch dogs, but eventually  
they become wolves again.""I don't speak in this way through  
hatred for the Germans. I do not hate  
them. I wish they were quite differ-  
ent. But they have just given us  
fresh proof of their dishonesty by re-  
fusing to fulfill their agreement con-  
cerning payment of the war in-  
demnities they owe.""The allies should treat Germany  
exactly as a creditor treats an un-  
scrupulous debtor—take guarantees  
and hold them until the debt is paid  
in full.""We already have one guarantee—  
the Rhineland—which we will not  
leave until Germany completely has  
discharged her debt, for it is a ques-  
tion of life and death with us.""If Germany persists in refusing  
after May 1, we may take further  
guarantees. Our plan contemplates  
the occupation of Frankfurt and the  
seizure of state property, mines, rail-  
ways and customs.""The Germans falsify when they  
declare they are economically ruined.  
Her exports are on the increase and  
even the exchange rates favor her  
commercial expansion.""Some one has said that two na-  
tions gained the real victories of the  
great war—England, who obtained  
the German colonies and the destruc-  
tion of the German fleet, and Ger-  
many, who was able to complete  
and strengthen her unity. This is  
near the truth. France is really the  
vanquished nation."

"If our statesmen yield on the

question of reparations we will con-  
sider them treacherous."Mrs. Ellen Thiele came in from St.  
Louis Wednesday night for a visit  
with Mrs. James Nester.Miss Cleo Young left Thursday af-  
ternoon for Parma, where she will  
visit several days with relatives.Everett Dye left Tuesday night for  
Clinton, Mo., where he has accepted  
a position. Mrs. Dye and children  
expect to join him later.John Dameron, who has been visit-  
ing his daughter, Mrs. Candace Plott  
and family, returned Thursday to  
his home in Colfax, Illinois.Lieut. Arthur Girard Hamilton, son  
of Mrs. Belle Edmondson of this city,  
was married in St. Louis Saturday  
to Miss Miriam Hunter of San An-  
tonio, Texas.Young Hamilton has been in the  
U. S. Air service since the beginning  
of the war, serving as instructor in  
aviation fields.Young Hamilton established a  
world's record for parachute leaping  
at Chanute Field, on March 23, when  
he dropped 24,000 feet.HIDES WE BUY ALL KINDS.—  
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Owner: C. L. Blanton, Skeston, Mo.  
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### LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Charles M. Barnes of Marston was a business visitor in New Madrid Tuesday of last week.

Miss Hester Davis of Jonesboro, Ark., visited many of her friends and associates in New Madrid last week.

Fred Weigle of Arizona arrived the first of last week on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Weigle of this city.

Mrs. D. C. Wells of Malden arrived Wednesday of last week to spend a few days with her daughter, Miss Helen Wells.

Rivers Hampton of St. Louis joined his family here last week and visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hampton of this city.

Mr. Kinder of Cape Girardeau was in New Madrid last week looking after the interest of the Southeast Missouri paper of that city.

Julian N. Friant of Cape Girardeau and Mr. Barnes of St. Louis Chamber of Commerce were the principal speakers at a meeting held in New Madrid Wednesday night of last week in the interest of the Farm Bureau movement. A sumptuous banquet preceded the meeting.

Supt. R. H. Long received notice Tuesday of last week from Miss Mary Kochtitzky of the Art Department of Cape Girardeau, State Teachers College that Opal Riggs and Oretta Pharris had won prizes in Health Poster Contest. Opal won first prize in Division 5 and Corrett, third in Division 2.

Mrs. S. B. Hunter Sr., and Mrs. Harold E. Hunter entertained at the Hamilton Hotel Wednesday afternoon of last week with fourteen tables for Five Hundred. The dining room was attractively decorated with dogwood blossoms. A chicken lunch salad, olives, celery, coffee and mints were served. Mrs. W. R. Pinnell, making the highest score was awarded the first prize, a sofa pillow. The second prize, a hand embroidered collar and cuff set was awarded to Mrs. S. R. Hunter Jr.

Sheriff Ambrose Kerr and his deputies J. H. Crabb, Claude Kerr and Constable Guy Humphreys returned Monday of last week from Farmington, where they had taken Charles Hall and Pohn Odom to the State Hospital No. 4. Both men had become mentally unbalanced and were raving maniacs. The sheriff speaks very highly of this institution and insists that every person in Southeast Missouri should visit it, that they may know how well the State is caring for these mentally afflicted unfortunates.

The Parma Bank, a corporation of New Madrid County and J. C. Hon of New Madrid County: S½ of lot 4 block 6 in City of Parma. \$1600.00.

Gideon-Anderson Lumber & Mercantile Company of Gideon, New Madrid County, to Robert B. Meentemeyer of New Madrid County: All of lot 6 and S½ of lot 5 in block 12 town of Gideon, New Madrid County, Mo. \$550.00.

Himmelberger-Harrison Land Selling Company of Cape Girardeau, to Marion W. Mayes of Tallapoosa: All that portion of the N½ of the SE¼ section 36 twp. 22, range 11, lying east of the right-of-way of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway, except however a strip of land 83 feet wide off of the east side of said tract, being north of the base line and east of the Fifth P. M. containing 74.90 acres \$5,617.50.

Emma C. Howser, et al of Champaign County, Ill., to Spencer E. Huff of Champaign County, Ill: The E½ of sec. 19, twp. 23, range 13. \$16,677.76.

T. A. Stewart of New Madrid County

ty to J. N. Barnes and wife of New Madrid County, all of lot 7 and the E½ of lot 8 block 7 City of Portageville. \$1350.

Jesse F. Cox of Scott County to W. C. Boardman of Scott County: All of the SW¼ sec. 19, twp. 24, range 14 containing 155 acres. \$20,000.00

James C. Durbin of New Madrid County to C. W. McGee of New Madrid County: All of the NE¼ sec. 32 twp. 24 range 13, lying west of the center of the drainage ditch running across said sec. 32 containing 92.96 acres \$8,585.00.

W. S. Edwards of New Madrid County to W. B. Rossiter of New Madrid County: The NE¼ sec. 30 twp. 24 range 15 containing 160 acres \$6400.00.

W. L. Denton to Taylor Welshans of New Madrid County: Lot 3 block 16 City of Lilbourn. \$75.00.

R. H. Truitt of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Ill., to James W. Tyson of New Madrid County, Mo., all of the E½ of SE¼ sec. 34, twp. 21, range 13 containing 80 acres. \$4800.00.

William Alexander of New Madrid County to D. T. Teal of New Madrid County: Lot 8, block 1 in the Clayton's Addition to the town of Gideon, Mo. \$1500.00.

Ella B. Winders of New Madrid County to John W. Gullion of New Madrid County: All of the undivided one-fifth int. of in and to the NE¼ of SW¼ also known as lot 1 in the N½ of SW¼ sec. 7 twp. 23, range 16 containing 40 acres. \$500.00.

#### Marriage License.

Walter Hughes and Grace York of Kewanee.

Raymond L. Harrell and Lester Davis, both of Parma.

Jack Hawkins and Rosa Dunn both of Portageville.

Welton Marshall and Rebecca R. Crevoiser, both of Conran.

Mrs. Harry C. Blanton and little Miss Rosemary returned Saturday from a visit with Mrs. Blanton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dailey of Bay City, Michigan.

Ruskin and Levi Cook spent Sunday in Cairo, Levi going over to Dr. Dunn for examination for eye trouble. The doctor found a tiny sliver of steel embedded in the ball of one eye.

### MATTHEWS ITEMS

Mrs. M. M. Fox returned to her home in Lilbourn Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Swartz went to Sikeston Friday on business.

Ray Crosby has sold out his cafe Charles McMullin of Louisiana.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Willie Chiles on March 26th a fine baby girl.

Mrs. Robert Ball was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gossitt Tuesday.

Messrs. Horrell and Bob Hunter of Hough, Mo., were in Matthews Tuesday on business.

Messdames C. D. Grimes and Roy Owen of St. Louis are guests of their aunt, Mrs. W. H. Deane.

Messrs. G. F. Deane, G. D. Steele, Bob and Horrell Hunter motored to Sikeston Tuesday on business.

Mrs. S. S. Huhls and daughter Miss Christine of Canolou are guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Huhls and family this week.

Mrs. Ownes, who has been attending the revival at the Nazarene church, returned to her home in Morehouse Wednesday.

Messdames Vicks, Owen and Sayville and Mr. Owen of Morehouse were in Matthews Wednesday and attended services at the Nazarene church that night.

Mr. L. Deane has moved his family on the Marr farm about one-half mile south of Matthews. Mr. Marr and family will live in Mr. Deane's home in Matthews.

One of the most enjoyable events in the social circle was a weiner roast and hay ride given Friday night by Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carroll at their beautiful country home one mile north of Matthews. Mr. Carroll had huge fires built in their pretty park, hickory sticks were provided for each guest to roast their own weiners and marshmallows. After the outdoor sports were fully enjoyed, the guests were invited into the house, which was beautifully decorated in colors and flowers harmonizing with the Easter tide. One of the evening features that created a great deal of merriment, was a limited time given to the guests to pick up a dozen colored Easter eggs, one at the time and carry them across the room. The one accomplishing the feat in the shortest length of time was given an Easter chicken, which was awarded to Frank Myer, who made the time in one minute and two ticks. The booby prize, a little duck, was awarded to the one taking the longest time to carry the eggs, which was won by Clarence Stewart. Many other games were indulged in and the following guests departed at a late hour, declaring Mr. and Mrs. Carroll most admirable entertainers: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stewart, Mr. and W. A. Singleton, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crosby, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ratliff, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myer, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Swartz, G. F. Deane, Mrs. Albert Deane, Misses Willa and Lilith Deane, Phyllis McAdoo, Eva Cochran, Vera Roberts, Clara and Alice Deane, Messrs C. L. Yates, Frank Sutton and Aubrey Shain.

### STEVE BURKE NOTED EVANGELIST DIES

Rev. Joseph Stevens Burke of Kansas City, Kansas, died last Friday in a hospital in Gainesville, Texas, after having undergone an operation for gall stones.

Rev. Burke is well remembered in Bloomfield, having conducted an evangelistic campaign in this city in the spring of 1913. During the Burke and Hobbs revival several hundred were added to the churches of the city and churches nearby.

In the early days in Oklahoma he was a deputy United States Marshal and has seen much of the seamy side of life.

During the twenty-two years of his evangelistic work he has witnessed more than one hundred thousand conversions. He has been in ill health for some time and before he entered the hospital he was forced to deliver his sermons sitting down. His home was in Kansas City, Kas.—Bloomfield Vindicator.

Many pigs are lost and others are stunted in growth as the result of exposure because of high sills in front of hogpens. This is the observation of a Nebraska swine grower in a letter to the United States Department of Agriculture on the cause of runty live stock. He urges that stockmen examine their equipment, and be certain that small pigs are able to follow the sows into the pens. Attention to balanced rations, sanitation, and pure water are likewise mentioned as methods of preventing runts.

#### McMullin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Simpson had business at Oran Friday.

The following young people attended the declamatory contest at Vanduser Friday night: Misses Lilly Crutchfield, Juanita Carpenter, Nellie Clifford, Lillian and Clyta Ansell, Irene and Lucille Inman and Messrs. Frank Kindred, Clyde Matthews, Cecil Crutchfield and Lynn Ansell.

Clestine Finley and family attended church here Sunday of last week.

The cold snap has played havoc with gardens and young chickens.

Ralph Ansell made a flying trip to Charleston Monday of last week.

Mrs. Ruby Tanner and children are visiting her sister, Mrs. Love this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bridges of Sikeston were dinner guests of Mrs. Clifford Sunday.

Miss Blanche Hopper entertained some of our very popular young folks Sunday evening.

Tom Stublefield attended the funeral of Mr. Coleman Friday of last week in Sikeston.

Lynn Waggoner of Charleston seems to like McMullin as he visits here quite frequently.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Freeman of Sikeston were visitors in our neighborhood Sunday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan were given a surprise party Monday of last week by the youngsters. All had a fine time.

We hope the cold wave will not interfere with the progress of our "Stars" one young hopeful was injured by a ball Sunday.

Well, the McMullin stars played their initial game of baseball Sunday of last week. It was not a very fast game on account of the inclement weather, but held them to a score of 2-1 for five innings in favor of the fans, but the sixth inning it began to rain and the stars got the run on the fans and then lost the score book.

### TONELLI SCORES IN POPLAR BLUFF

It will doubtless be of interest to the many Chaffee patrons who enjoyed the recent performance of "The Sweetest Girl in Dixie" given there by the "Sikeston Community Players" to know that something of the truth has leaked out concerning Geo. L. Tonelli, whom it will be remembered, gave a masterful portrayal of the difficult role "Matthew Martin", the grasping Yankee.

Mr. Tonelli, or professionally speaking, Dr. Tonelli, is one of the leading physicians of Sikeston, where he has enjoyed a splendid practice dating almost from the very time of his locating there, some years ago, he is widely known and highly respected though but few, if any, of his intimate acquaintances have heretofore known that in his earlier days, before finally settling down to the practice of his chosen profession, he arose in the musical world to the height of an opera star.

It is purely because of the doctor's own modesty and his reluctance in speaking of his past achievements that this fact has remained unknown to his neighbors and it probably would not be known at this time had he not accepted an invitation to appear in the "Elk's Minstrels" at the Fraternally Theater in Poplar Bluff last Monday night, where his marvelous voice was instantly recognized as being very unusual and which brought about inquiries resulting in his recognition as being the same George Tonelli, who some years ago, toured the country with his name billed in letter six feet high.

Of late the doctor has turned a deaf ear to all professional advances and now uses his wonderful voice only for his own satisfaction and for the pleasure of his friends. He has not sang in previous performance of "The Sweetest Girl in Dixie", but at the urgent request of director Triplet he has promised to do so at the next production, which will be presented in Oran, Wednesday night, April 6th.—Chaffee Signal.

#### Wouldn't Pull It.

The girl walked briskly into the store and dropped her bag on the counter. "Give me a chicken," she said.

"Do you want a pullet?" the storekeeper asked.

"No," the girl replied. "I want a carry it."

Combined with a new detachable clip for fountain pens is a reel of blotting paper to enable the pen to be used by travelers.

### MISSOURI FOLKS TESTIFY

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### CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF STATE OF MISSOURI

Sedalia, Mo.—As a means of including the attendance of Missourians, also former Missourians, from everywhere at the Centennial celebration of the admission of their Fairheld at and with the Missouri State Fair here August 8-20, 1921, the Centennial Committee of the Chamber of Commerce has appropriated from its promotion fund \$1,000 in cash to cover the appended list of prizes and the incidental registration expense of determining the contests:

August 8-20, 1921, the Centennial Committee of the Chamber of Commerce has appropriated from its promotion fund \$1,000 in cash to cover the appended list of prizes and the incidental registration expense of determining the contests:

\$200 cash prize to the Missouri county that registers the largest percentage of its population as per the 1920 census at the Centennial, handicapped as per distance traveled.

\$25 for the fourth largest such registration.

\$75 for the third largest such registration.

\$25 for the fourth largest such registration.

\$50 cash prize to the native-born Missourian, man or woman, who travels the longest distance to reach the Centennial.

\$25 to such man or woman who travels second longest distance.

\$25 cash prize to the oldest native woman at the Centennial.

\$15 to second oldest such person.

\$25 cash prize to the oldest present resident Missourian, man or woman, regardless of nativity.

\$15 to second oldest in this class.

\$25 cash prize to the oldest resident Missourian, man or woman, regardless of nativity.

\$15 to second oldest in this class.

\$10 to third oldest in this class.

\$75 to the largest family reunion—may include five generations of blood relatives.

\$50 to the second largest in this class.

\$25, to third largest in this class.

\$50 additional to the family reunion whose members are gathered from the greatest number of states, territories and countries in excess of four.

Equipped with its own electric lights, camera has been designed to enable police to photograph fingerprints.

A copy of "McFingal," a poem printed in Hartford, Conn., in 1782, and autographed by George Washington, brought \$1125 at Sotheby's auctions.

The field of the farm tractor is constantly extending. A circular saw is now rigged up to it revolving horizontally and a large tree is cut down in a few minutes.

### PORK DAY IS A BIG EVENT FOR FARM BUREAU MEMBERS

Pork Day is one of the big annual events of Kings County, Calif. It comes in October usually. In this contest the farm bureau center in the contest advances one carload of hogs to be exhibited and rated by an expert judge. Every farm bureau center must have at least six consignors to the load, thus preventing any big concern from exhibiting a carload. In the contest last fall six farm bureau centers as well as a boys' pig club took part in the contest. Ten carloads were auctioned in addition to seven cars that had been in the contest.

The county agent leader says in his annual report to the United States Department of Agriculture: "There seems to be no more convincing argument to a hog producer than to see the actual sales of his animals take place and to know the difference in price paid for a superior quality animal."

Farm Bureau sales of this kind were started in California in 1916 on the initiative of the county agent of Kern County. They are now becoming common in all pork-producing counties of the State. There were 175 such sales in 1920, with sales aggregating \$1,400,000.

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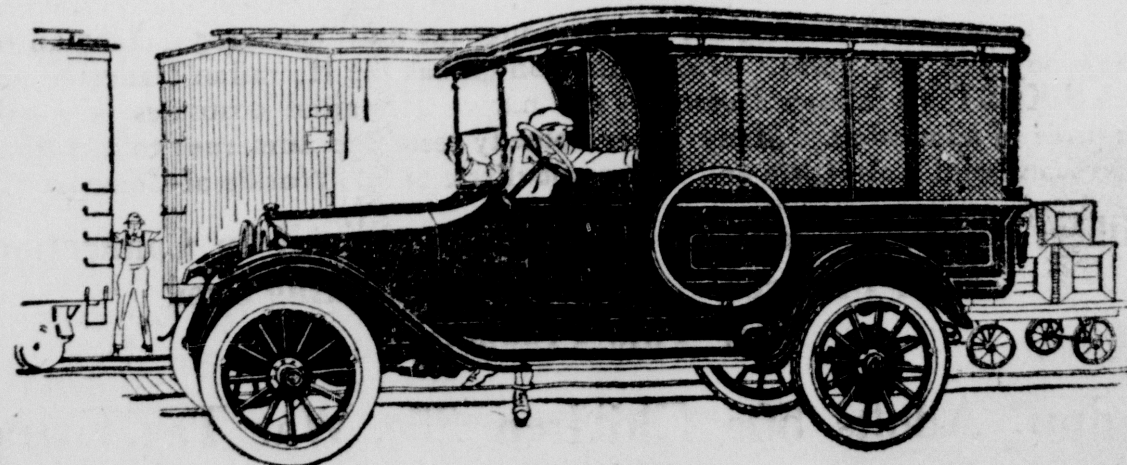
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## MATTHEWS ITEMS

Rev. L. Hinchey went to Catron Saturday.

Miss Nellie Allsup went to Malden last week.

Mrs. James Gossitt was a Skeston visitor Friday.

Aubrey Shain has purchased him a new Ford roadster.

Miss Irene Loenneke spent the week-end in Lilbourn.

Mrs. L. Hunott went to Skeston Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Ella Vaughn returned to her home in Catron Sunday.

Miss Flo King of Fairview was in Matthews Saturday night.

Rev. S. S. Surface went to Lilbourn Friday to visit his family.

C. L. Yates went to Lilbourn on business Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holderby of La Forge were in Matthews Sunday.

Miss Emma Joe Hawkins went to Lilbourn Friday, returning Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and son spent Sunday with Mrs. Nannie Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Weatherford of White Oak were Matthews visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carroll spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Linn Swartz.

Mr. and Mrs. Alville Fulkerson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Reed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Midgett of Kewanee visited Mr. and Mrs. James Smith Sunday.

Mrs. Linn Swartz attended the meeting of the Macabee's at Skeston last Wednesday.

Messrs. G. D. Steele, G. F. Deane and Earl Swartz motored to Catron Saturday on business.

Miss Wava Shanks of Crowe District and Roy King of Fairview were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Quite a number of people from Morehouse attended services at the Nazarene church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hunott had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Levi Proudty and Rev. A. J. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hersinger left Friday for Lilbourn on a visit to Mrs. Hersinger's grandmother, Mrs. Louis Lee.

Misses Phyllis McAdoo, Eva Cochran, Vera Roberts, Messrs Frank Sutton and C. L. Yates motored to Lilbourn Sunday.

Mesdames Gladden of Batesville, Louisiana, R. E. Conyers and little son Charles were guests of Mrs. Louis Hunott Thursday.

Mrs. John Rauh and children returned Thursday from Arkansas, where they have been the past few weeks visiting relatives.

Miss Ozella Gossitt, who is attending school at Skeston, spent from Friday until Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gossitt.

Mrs. S. S. Huhles and daughter, Miss Christine, returned to their home in Canolou after a few days visit here with Mr. and Mrs. James Huhles.

Mrs. Amos Buchanan, little son, Brian and sister Camille Hill of Skeston spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill.

Mrs. Chester Grimes of St. Louis, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Deane left Friday of last week for Lilbourn on a visit to her mother, Mrs. M. M. Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stewart entertained with a twelve o'clock dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Story, Mr. and Mrs. F. Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. James Gossitt.

Miss Lola Medcalf spent Saturday in Dexter.

Mrs. W. N. Walpole was shopping in Cairo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McMullin were visitors in Grays Ridge Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. James King left Friday morning for a visit with relatives in Eldorado, Illinois.

Mrs. M. S. Murray and sons went Friday to Fredericktown for a few days visit with Miss Marie DeGuire.

Mrs. Fred Cross came Friday afternoon from Caruthersville for a visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson and other relatives.

Miss Dollye Vinson, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Loda Phelps for several weeks, returned Friday morning to her home in Princeton, Kentucky.

R. A. Moyers, Superintendent of the Oran Schools, was in Skeston Saturday on business regarding the Oran School annual, which is to be made in The Standard office.

Charles W. Ellis, formerly with the Murray Construction Company, came in Saturday from Jefferson, City where he is now employed, for a visit with his many Skeston friends.

Dr. A. H. Barnes, pastor of the Skeston M. E. Church, has accepted the invitation of the Portageville High School to deliver the Baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning, May 8th.

Mrs. W. M. Summers and daughter, who have been with Skeston relatives for several weeks, returned Saturday to their home in Canolou.

Mrs. Summers' sister, Mrs. George Winters, accompanied them and will visit in Canolou for two or three weeks.

The debating team of Oran High School, having won the championship of Southeast Missouri, will debate with the Carthage team, champions of Southwest Missouri, Friday, April 8th, for the South Missouri honors. The question "Resolved That a Federal Law Providing for Compulsory Arbitration Between Employer and Employee Is Wise and Feasible." The Oran debaters are Jean Zimmerman and Miss Abbie Boutwell. Superintendent R. A. Moyers will accompany the team to Carthage. The winners in this debate will debate the champions of North Missouri at Columbia, May 1st.

WANTED—To rent a house with about five rooms and bath. Call Rambo. Tel. 249.

FOR RENT—Five rooms and bath, heat, water and lights. Apply to Girard Dover, Citizens Bank. 2tpd.

**The Freight on a Car of Potatoes From Minn. Is \$110 More than Potatoes.**

Just what the present freight rates mean to the effort of retailers to reduce the cost of living will be better understood when it is known that the freight on a carload of seed potatoes shipped from Minnesota to Poplar Bluff is \$110 more than the jobber received for the potatoes. This is what happened last week when the Allison Merc. Co. bought a car of Bural and had them shipped from Minnesota to this city. The freight amounted to \$110 more than they paid the jobbers for the car of potatoes. The railroads through their high operating costs are strangling agricultural production and at the same time are holding at a high level the cost of food and other articles to the consumer.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

The rainiest spot on earth is the Waipo Valley, in Hawaii, where the precipitation averages one inch a day. The district of Hualalai, on the same island, has a rainfall of but 20 inches a year.

Sile Kildew and wife took a shoe-box full of butter to town Saturday and as she had a pound of right old butter left over she went around and presented it to the editor with a few kind remarks.

The United States Bureau of Chemistry finds that the poison of poison ivy is one of the most powerful known in the vegetable world. People have been known to die from too liberal a contact with it. It is present in all parts of the plant, and if taken internally is extremely dangerous.

It goes without saying that our domesticated ducks are derived from species originally wild. They are mostly mallards of European and American varieties. Our long-legged so-called "Indian runner duck" is descended from a stock not satisfactorily identified.

The contract for paving Third and Main Streets of Lilbourn for a distance of five blocks was let by the Lilbourn City Council Saturday night to J. F. Cox and R. A. McCord of Skeston, who also have the contract for building the east half of the Lilbourn-Parma rock road, for the sum of \$7,684.05. The contractors filed their bond, signed by Sam G. Ballard, which was accepted by the council. Mr. Cox stated that as soon as the piece of road south of the Cotton Belt was finished and he figured this would be accomplished this week, providing rain did not interfere, work on the Lilbourn paving would be commenced. The contract calls for the completion of the project within 80 days.—Lilbourn Herald.

**FOR SALE**

Massey-Harris Binder, comparatively new, cut only 60 acres.

1 Rock Island Corn Planter. 4

1 Disc Harrow.

2 Sulky Plows, Oliver and John Deere makes.

2 Farm Wagons, Weber International make.

The above implement used only season of 1920 and are in A-1 order.

We can use your cash or take good note.

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**THE RURAL GRADUATE DAY AT BENTON**

The regular eight months schools of the County will close Friday, April 22nd, but the final County examinations will be given Thursday and Friday, April 7th and 8th. The questions for the 8th grade will be furnished by the State Superintendent, the County Superintendent will supply the 7th grade questions. After the teachers have given the examinations and graded the papers, the grade reports and the papers must be sent to the County Superintendent to review. Pupils who passed the 7th grade final examinations last year and whose grades are recorded in the Superintendent's office, need to pass only the 8th grade this year in order to graduate. Pupils who have no grades recorded will have to pass examination in both grades to graduate this year. No pupil may be admitted to both examinations who has not spent 2 years in Class "A".

County graduating exercises will be held at Benton, Saturday, April 23. Program will be as follows:

9:30 Final county 7th and 8th grade declamatory contest (4 contestants)

10:20 Final county high school declamatory contest (4 contestants)

11:10 Class address and presentation of diplomas to county graduates.

1:00 County track meets (one meet for grade pupils and one for high school pupils).

There will be two county track meets held simultaneously on graduation day, April 23rd, commencing at 1:00 o'clock, one for high school pupils only and one for 7th and 8th grade pupils only. There will be 8 events as follows:

50, 100 and 200 yard dashes, 440 yard relay (4 men), shot put (8-pound shot), standing and running broad and running high jumps. Each school may enter not more than two men in each event (relay excepted of course). A first place will count 5 points, 2nd, 3; 3rd, 2 and 4th, 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Sexton were visitors in Cairo Wednesday.

Mrs. Josephine Veith returned Sunday from a brief stay in Diehlstadt.

Mrs. C. O. Scott and Mrs. Dick Swanner were visitors in Morehouse Thursday.

Misses Pearl De Witt and Jess Bolling of Lilbourn visited Miss Maggie Matthews over Sunday.

Miss Helen Harbin went Friday afternoon to Charleston for a brief visit with Mrs. Ray Gutzweiler.

Mrs. J. N. Ross left Saturday for Jackson, Tenn., where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Walter Hunter and family.

A. J. Munier came up from Lilbourn Saturday to spend Easter with Mrs. Munier and their daughter, Mrs. N. E. Fuchs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate left Saturday afternoon for St. Louis, where they will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Clary for the week.

Mrs. G. W. Arterburn and daughter, Miss Ruth, left Saturday morning for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Washington and Indianapolis, Ind.

A. F. Altheide, manager of the Semo Developing Association returned Friday from a trip to the oil fields of Illinois, of the Osage Country, and the Wyoming fields.

Mrs. Clara Anderson came down from Commerce Saturday for a visit with her sons, Ralph and Paul Anderson and her daughters, Mrs. Ella Old and Mrs. Emma Kendall.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Miss Eleanor McRae, Miss Irene Robinson, Miss Fern Scott, Miss Camille Klein, Miss Helen Churchill and Messrs. Charles Blanton, Ralph Harper, Ted Anderson, Herman Henry, Theodore Slack, George Lough, Ralph Potashnick and Carl Freeman attended a dance given Friday night in Charleston.

Jeff Sutton, who has not been physically fit for the past several months, departed Friday morning for an extended stay in California, hoping to be greatly benefited by the change. He expects to spend a month with his sister in Fresno and will then go to Los Angeles. The report that he has disposed of his interest in the Cash Grocery is without foundation.

Louis Ferrell, on Friday, shod the youngest mule on record, when he made and put a shoe on a colt three days old. The owner, who lives 12 miles Southwest of Skeston, brought the colt to town in a Ford touring car. The shoe was made about the width of a silver dollar and about twice as long. One of the little fellow legs was slightly drawn causing him to stand on the tip of the hoof. The shoe for this foot was built up at the back to lessen the strain. Young Mr. Mule lay quietly on his side while the shoe was being put on.

**OIL THEORY IN SOUTHEAST MISSOURI IS EXPLODED**

That all the efforts being made by individuals and organized companies in Southeast Missouri to uncover fabulous oil deposits in any paying quantities will prove futile is the opinion of Prof. J. C. Logan, of the Department of Agriculture at the Teachers College, who delivered an address on "Development of Lowlands in Southeast Missouri," at the regular monthly meeting of the College Faculty Club, last night at the college.

Prof. Logan based his opinion on the examination of the deposits which have been made in Southeast Missouri since the beginning of time, and in which he stated there could be found no evidence of the deposits from which oil comes. "Evidences of the deposits of the Silurian, Ordovician and Cambrian period, the earliest periods, can be found," he said "and also of the Tertiary period, which is the latest depository period, but nowhere can be found and deposits of the Carboniferous period, which contain any oil deposits which may be present in the country. Of course, where there is any decaying matter, a certain amount of oil deposits may be found, but not in paying quantities. This also applies to coal deposits."

The Southeast Missouri lowlands have been swept and washed by the waters of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers to such an extent that it is believed that this deposit of the so-called middle period has been removed by the frequent erosions, the college professor stated. Deposits of sand one hundred feet in depth, which could have come from no place except one of the two rivers, have been found and the supposition is that these carboniferous deposits have been carried away by the almost incessant combat with the waters, it was stated. The fact that the Mississippi at an earlier date ran west and south from Cape Girardeau, and that the Ohio river ran through what is now Commerce, and by Dexter in Stoddard County, is evidence enough, Prof. Logan said, to prove that this section of the country with a few exceptions was completely washed at an early date.

In his talk Prof. Logan told of the formation of the two great lowlands in Southeast Missouri, the Advance Lowlands, named after the city of that name in Stoddard county, and the Cairo Lowlands, also called after that city in Illinois. According to his statements the Advance Lowland was formed by erosions of the Mississippi, while the Cairo Lowlands was formed by the erosions of the Ohio. Crowley's Ridge, and Hickory Ridge, other elevations which at one time were parts of Crowley's Ridge, are the only 'high' places in the lowlands, he stated, with the exception of the so-called "Lost Hills" in the southern part of this section. Prof. Logan explained that these were probably formed by the erosions of the tributaries of the Mississippi, which he said ran through Southeast Missouri like a net-work.

"Old Field", located near Advance, a subject for debate as to its probable origin, last night was explained by the college professor, as just a basin which has been left in the Advance Lowlands, and he said did not likely come about as a result of any earthquake as is sometimes thought. The college man also stated that he did not think that any of the lowlands or hills were formed by the earthquake in 1811, which shook the central part of the United States.

"In some parts of these lowlands", Prof. Logan stated, "the land is lower than the Mississippi river itself. This is especially true near Delta, where it is nearly twenty feet lower than the river." That the Mississippi river might at some time change its comparatively new course back to the old one going southwest from Cape Girardeau, was expressed by Prof. Logan, but he intimated that this might be overcome in this modern time by the use of levees. As further evidence of the newness of the present bed of the Mississippi, he gave as an illustration, the width of the river at Thebes, where little signs of erosion can be seen.

Every ten acres in Missouri yields annually enough nectar to support a colony of bees and enable them to store 30 pounds of surplus honey.—Bulletin 138.

Marguerite L. Smith, who was a candidate for re-election to the New York Assembly, is a Sunday school teacher, an expert skater and hockey player and has a master of arts degree from Columbia University.

A law enacted by the last general assembly, is one of interest to nearly every county official. It is the one whereby the population of a county is arrived at for the purpose of fixing the salaries of certain of the officers. Formerly, the vote for the leading candidates was multiplied by five to arrive at the estimate, but because of the enfranchisement of women, this was decided not to be a fair way, so the legislature fixed the multiple at three. It is believed this will greatly increase the salaries of many county officers, especially in counties where women polled a large percentage of their total voting strength.

**NEWSY LETTER FROM HOGVILLE CORRESPONDENT.**

Sile Smith has traded his cook stove for a nice hound.

Zero Peck beat Dan Mathews in a horse trade this week and as a relief for his conscience will try to take some active part in the church service at Bear Ford next Sunday.

It matters not how hard times get you never seen anyone hunting for work in Hogville. They do not seem to care for it. Really Hogville might well be called the playground of the world.

The blind man of the Bear Ford neighborhood has been swindled again this time by the old miser who traded him a dog which did not have as many spots as the one he got from the Blind Man.

Gape Allsup was arrested Tuesday morning for firing four shots at random. He was acquitted of the charge when he proved that he only fired three times at random and the other time at Dag Smith.

Bill Hellwanger was badly shot while engaged in a game of marbles in Petunia Ridge early this week. The bullet went through the bosom of his shirt and he coughed it up without much injury. Ill feeling between him and the defendant is given as the direct cause of the unfortunate affair.

If it were not for the fleas Alexander Moseley and his several dogs would welcome the advent of spring and a few other disadvantages one gets a great deal of pleasure out of having a dozen or so dogs around the premises. Mr. Moseley has always made his dogs feel at home by making them feel just the same as other members of the family.

A mule has been left hitched at the post office and if the owner does not call for same in five days the postmaster will forward it to the dead letter office at Washington. Only last month he sent a nice wild hog which had been putting in an appearance at the post office occasionally and at times would take the liberty of sleeping under the post office floor.

The steps leading into the Wild Rose school house were stolen a few nights ago. The Assistant Constable has been put on the case and has several of our good citizens under suspicion, as he passed a house where a mass meeting on the road question was being held on the night of the crime, and overhead one of the speakers say that steps should be taken at once to repair a bridge over near Bear Ford.

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100 head of good North Missouri Mules; all broke and ready to go to work. Ages 3 to 5 years old. All have the size and quality. I pick these mules from the farmers myself. Sold 35 head of the same class of mules in three days last week. Price is right and your note is good with me.

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ORAN, MO.



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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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ers wanting the news while it is  
news, and for advertisers desiring  
quick results, it is the best medium.The Standard announces the following  
new rates for advertising effective  
August 1, 1920:Display advertising, per single column  
inch, net .....25c  
Reading notices per line.....10c  
Financial statements for banks, \$6.00  
Probate notices, minimum.....\$5.00The Standard announces the follow-  
ing new rates for subscription effec-  
tive September 1, 1920:Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott  
and adjoining counties.....\$2.00  
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United States.....\$2.50No renewal allowed at present rate  
for longer than one year.Foreign Advertising Representative  
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

"Do As We Say and Not As We  
Do", is hereby recommended to the  
lady who reads The Standard, but  
who is not a subscriber, and who sent  
word to the editor to clean up his own  
premises before attempting to advise  
a Clean-Up of other premises.

The Flirtatious Female and the  
Licentious Libertine are the ones to  
watch in any community if we are to  
keep our boys and girls on the right  
side of the Moral Ledger. Each of  
the aforesaid are loads on every com-  
munity that are hard to bear in pa-  
tience.

Level-headed Mr. Hughes, of Pres-  
ident Harding's cabinet, seems to be  
following the path blazed by Mr.  
Wilson in the Forests of Foreign Af-  
fairs, notwithstanding the pre-election  
declarations that great changes would  
be made as soon as the Republicans  
took charge of the government. Mr.  
Hughes is a real American and the  
honor of his country means more to  
him than the promises to all elements  
of the disaffected to get their votes.  
After all, our Mr. Wilson is going to  
turn out to have been a real patriot,  
else the Secretary of State would not  
follow his course.

The Story of  
Our StatesBy JONATHAN BRACE  
V.—CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT stands  
unique as prob-  
ably the first  
state which was  
created in the  
world by a writ-  
ten constitution.

It was really an offshoot from  
Massachusetts, for in 1636 there  
was dissatisfaction among the Pur-  
itans in Cambridge, Watertown  
and Dorchester, the three towns  
surrounding Boston. A large  
part of these three towns, there-  
fore, decided to journey to the  
Connecticut valley, as they had  
heard that there was to be found  
excellent farm land, and the  
Dutch from New Netherlands  
had been forced out the previous  
year by the erection by the Eng-  
lish of a fort at Saybrook at the  
mouth of the river. The Cam-  
bridge people, under the leader-  
ship of their pastor, Hooker,  
founded Hartford, the Dorches-  
ter people settled Windsor, and  
those from Watertown estab-  
lished Wethersfield. For a few  
years they remained a part of  
Massachusetts, but early in 1639  
the people of these three towns  
met and drew up a written con-  
stitution and agreed to govern  
themselves. Meanwhile, in 1638,  
a large company of colonists un-  
der the leadership of John Dav-  
enport arrived from England and  
settled the town of New Haven,  
later spreading to Milford and  
Stamford. These two distinct  
colonies were later united and  
took the name of Connecticut  
from its principal river. This is  
an Algonquin Indian name mean-  
ing "long river." It became the  
fifth state to join the Union  
when it adopted the Constitution  
on January 9, 1788. It is some-  
times called the Land of Steady  
Habits, but is more popularly  
known as the Nutmeg state from  
the humorous accusation that  
its peddlers were accustomed to  
peddle wooden nutmegs to  
their customers. The area of  
Connecticut is 4,965 square  
miles, the third smallest of our  
states. Its population, however,  
entitles it to seven electoral  
votes for president.

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## Why Freight Rates Are High.

"The railroads of the United States  
are not content with demanding a  
profit on their actual investment in  
their rights of way or easements over  
the land throughout the United  
States; but they also demand a re-  
turn upon the unearned increment or  
the increased value in all these lands,  
whether purchased at a nominal cost,  
or given to them, and whether they  
own the land in fee or only possess  
an easement over the land, the prop-  
erty to revert to the original own-  
ers, if the railroad is abandoned.

But the railroads are not even sat-  
isfied with a return on the present  
value of all the land they use thru-  
out the United States, but also de-  
mand a return upon a fictitious value  
which is equal to 50 or 70 per cent  
greater than the present value of all  
their real estate in the cities of the  
country, and they demand a return on  
a value of their land outside of city  
limits equal to approximately three  
times the value of adjoining farm  
lands at the present time. If their  
right-of-way runs through farm land  
worth \$300 an acre at present prices,  
they demand this government to fix  
a value of their right-of-way in that  
section at \$900 per acre. In other  
words, not content with a return on  
their actual investment, and not con-  
tent with a return on the present  
value of their land, they want a re-  
turn on three times the present value  
land outside of city limits, and 50 to  
70 per cent greater than the present  
value of their land within city limits."

The foregoing is taken from a  
statement of Clifford Thorne, General  
Counsel for the American Farm Bu-  
reau Federation presented to the  
House Committee on Interstate and  
Foreign Commerce, 66th Congress,  
2nd session.

Mr. Thorne in his detailed state-  
ment points out the following signifi-  
cant facts:

1. The railroads have had donated to  
them by the people of the  
United States one-twelfth of  
the land area of the entire  
nation without a single dol-  
lar of cost. This gift land  
is now inflated in value to as  
much as three times the value  
of the adjoining farm land  
and the public is asked to pay  
the railroad 5 1/2 to 6 per cent  
on the inflated value.

2. The total area granted to the  
railroads by the Federal gov-  
ernment alone is practically  
equivalent to the land area of  
Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana  
and Illinois combined.

3. As an example of how this infla-  
tion in value operates, a com-  
mittee representing the Na-  
tional Association of Rail-  
road Commissioners, in a  
brief filed with the Interstate  
Commerce Commission in  
1915, called attention to the  
fact that the Santa Fe rail-  
road owned 128 acres of land  
within the city limits of  
Oklahoma City, costing \$73-  
534.00. They have valued  
this land for purposes of  
rate making at two million  
dollars, which at 6 per cent  
would produce an annual in-  
come in 25 years, thirty  
times the original cost of the  
land or more than double the  
original cost each year. A  
similar situation is referred  
to in the same report in the  
city of St. Paul where lands  
amounting to 8 1/2 per cent of  
the total assessed area in the  
city are valued at 48.2 per  
cent of the actual value of  
the total assessed area of St.  
Paul.

These higher valuations are based  
upon estimated replacement or repro-  
duction costs. The American Farm  
Bureau Federation is using its best  
efforts to adjust freight rates. If  
freight rates are to be guaranteed on  
a basis which will make the railroad  
companies 5 1/2 to 6 per cent profit on  
investment, guaranteed rate of in-  
terest must be placed on something  
like the actual value of their real es-  
tate holdings and not on a fictitious  
value based upon reproduction costs in  
which are included imaginary or real  
damage and reparation claims which  
might be incurred if the railroads  
were to be built today.

Numbers of people who live in poor  
health do so, writes a medical au-  
thority, by keeping a personal poison  
factory on their bodily premises.  
They do not know it, perhaps, but it  
is there all the same. This poison  
factory is usually situated in the  
nose, the teeth, the tonsils, or the di-  
gestive canal. The dental supply is  
kept up by neglected, cavius teeth  
and stumps, a badly cared for plate,  
or (worst of all), pyorrhea. Septic  
tonsils are another common cause of  
"toxemia", as it is called. And there  
are those who by persistent neglect  
of natural functions turn their bod-  
ies into so many ambulant cesspools.

New Maxwell touring car \$750.00—  
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MISSISSIPPI RIVER  
SCENIC HIGHWAY

Memphis, Tenn., April 5.—Amer-  
ica's greatest North and South Au-  
tomobile route, the Mississippi River  
Scenic Highway, embracing the Port  
Arthur to Port Arthur line and the  
Winnipeg to Tampa line, connecting  
the Canadian provinces of Manitoba  
and Ontario with North Dakota, Min-  
nesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Mis-  
souri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Missis-  
sippi, Louisiana, Alabama, Florida and  
Texas, will enjoy the greatest pro-  
gress in its history during the year  
1921, predicted Truman Pierson,  
General Manager, organizer and origi-  
nator of the present organization and  
plan, at a meeting of the business  
men in the Chamber of Commerce  
here March 23. The executive officer  
declared that the route will cost \$150-  
000,000; that it will directly benefit  
50,000,000 people, and will carry traf-  
fic worth one billion dollars.

"Thomas B. King, of Memphis, re-  
tires from the presidency at this time,  
leaving behind an administration  
that will be noted because during  
the period a greater percentage of  
road improvement was provided for  
this route than for any other one  
American highway" said Pierson.  
"Ever since the 5th annual conven-  
tion, held in Memphis in October,  
1919, the Mississippi River Scenic  
Highway Association has by organiz-  
ed effort endeavored to create traf-  
fic for its system, and we believe that  
our line this past year has carried  
over its completed portions more  
traffic than ever before. The south  
is entitled to a great deal of credit  
for the start which it gave the move-  
ment at the Memphis meeting", he  
continued.

"My early associates in this great  
work, Edwin G. Fairfield of Dubuque,  
Iowa; Henry Hayley, secretary of the  
Memphis Chamber of Commerce; A.  
G. Oberle, of Burlington, Ia.; Capt.  
H. B. Watkins of Quincy, Ill, and  
others have built even better than  
they knew this great project, which  
with the 6th annual convention just  
closed in St. Louis, assumed propor-  
tions of such great magnitude as to  
insure even greater success. With  
its four great departments, service,  
publicity, promotion and legislative,  
the last just created at St. Louis con-  
vention, the association enters upon  
its 7th year better organized, better  
known and better equipped than ever  
before in its history", declared Mr.  
Pierson.

The Convention just closed brought  
together delegates representing four-  
teen states and two Canada Prov-  
inces, including Mayor I. L. Matthews  
of Port Arthur, Ontario, who came  
officially to represent his city in the  
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Charles E. Pierson, president of the  
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Palm Beach, Florida, will hold a  
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as Chairman.

In conclusion, therefore dear Mad-  
am President, we ask two things:

First—Help for the passage of the  
Bill.

Second—That ample notice be given  
of the coming camp at Asheville.  
The date for the winter camp is not  
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We will be glad to give any infor-  
mation desired concerning the bill,  
but inquiries concerning the camp  
should be addressed to the Board of  
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Think what it would mean to this  
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we could send 500,000 mothers and  
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to sleep and live in tents, to be given  
scientific, setting-up exercises, to  
know complete relaxation to be  
young again with "fun" and good  
company!

It can be done if we can get this  
Bill passed. Will you help?

Very sincerely yours,  
United States Training Corps.

Mary R. Plummer.

ACTRESSES IN DETROIT  
MUST WEAR SOME CLOTHES

Detroit, Mich., April 5.—Mayor  
James Couzens is inclined to the opin-  
ion that actresses should wear SOME  
clothes. He feels also that they  
should don these clothes in their  
dressing rooms and not trust to mem-  
bers of the audience to fasten the  
hooks in their skirts. The Mayor an-  
nounced these views today after see-  
ing a burlesque show at the New De-  
troit Theater Monday night.

"Tell them to get busy and put on  
some clothes," he instructed Lieut.  
Lester Potter, police censor. At one  
point of the performance the chorus  
girls, rather carelessly attired, walk  
down the runway and invite members  
of the audience to fasten up their  
backs.

"I gave them some latitude and  
they kicked over the traces," Lieut.  
Potter said, "so I have decided to  
solve the problem by a blanket or-  
der requiring all women appearing in  
theaters, cabarets or other public  
places to wear tights."

"For some time the burlesque  
wheels voluntarily have banned bare  
legs. The big musical comedy shows  
have been the principal offenders thru  
the progressively scanty attire dis-  
played in each succeeding show. Now  
they must cover up."

The ukase applies not only to the  
musical shows but also to Grecian  
dancers, Lieut. Potter announced. The  
only deviation from the rule will be  
in the instances where national cos-  
tumes, such as the Scotch, are worn.  
"Pavlova and her dancers all wear  
tights, so one could hardly claim that  
the complete body covering interferes  
with art," said the Lieutenant.

## Hogville News Items.

Atlas Peck says it is a good thing  
spring is right here at us now as he  
has kept on shedding buttons until  
there is just one left on his coat and  
vest.

Cricket Hicks is rapidly becoming  
one of our most noted singers, as he  
has just sent a dime away for an-  
other book of one hundred of the  
most popular songs.

Sidney Hocks looked into the mir-  
ror at the Tickville Hotel Saturday  
and discovered something terrible had  
happened to his face, but upon closer  
inspection he found it was the mirror  
that was cracked.

Tobe Moseley finds the world has  
changed a heap in the past few years.  
He recalls when the old-fashioned  
thief used to steal a person's silver  
watch and go on home perfectly sat-  
isfied with his day's work.

During the recent heavy snow the  
deputy constable observed a good many  
human tracks going thither and yon-  
der, and upon tracing them to their  
lair he found that most of them led  
to or from a heating stove and chair.

Dock Hocks, erstwhile dentist, has  
been doing considerable dental work  
this week, judging from the racket  
that has been issuing from the north-  
west corner of the blacksmith shop.  
However, it might have been coming  
from the barber chair in the other  
corner.

A Frenchman has invented piano  
music printed on long sheets, so  
mounted on motor driven rolls that  
they are advanced as rapidly as a  
user wishes, saving the work of turn-  
ing pages.

BOTTLERS MET IN  
SIKESTON WEDNESDAY

The Southeast Missouri and North-  
east Arkansas Soda Water Manufac-  
turers' Association met with E. E. Ar-  
terburn of the Scott County Bottling  
Works, Wednesday, April 6. This  
was a regular business as well as a  
get-together meeting and everyone  
profited by the discussion of the many  
difficult propositions which confronts  
the bottlers at this time, as well as  
enjoying the social companionship for  
a few hours.

The following firms with their Rep-  
resentatives were present:

Pres. T. Boyd, Coco Cola Bottling  
Works, Kennett, Mo.; Secretary and  
Treasurer, E. M. Thielehus, Cape Bot-  
tling Work, Cape Girardeau; A. D.  
Milde, Milde Bottling Works, Jackson;  
J. R. Hoffman, Milde Cola Bottling  
Co., Charleston; T. R. Montgomery,  
Cairo Pure Food and Product Co.,  
Cairo, Ill.; A. C. Hanna, Chaffee; Ice  
& Cold Storage, Chaffee; James Hunt,  
Hunt Bottling Works, Dexter; W. E.  
McCarty, Coco Cola Bottling Co.,  
Cairo, Ill.; E. E. Arterburn, Scott  
County Bottling Work, Sikeston.

Sikeston was selected as the next  
meeting place on account of being so  
conveniently located.

## Brief Bits of Information.

In Persia the marriage of first  
cousins is the favorite union.

The United States has been sup-  
plying English cotton manufacturers  
with raw material since 1791.

"Worth", in proper names, as in  
Kenilworth Edgeworth, etc., signi-  
fies that the town stands on a tongue  
of land.

The Romans adopted a curious  
fashion of drinking the health of their  
lady loves, a bumper to each letter  
of her name.

Wig-wearing was at its height  
about 150 years back, when even  
boys 4 or 5 years old had their heads  
shaved in readiness to wear a wig.

The paper on which Bank of Eng-  
land notes is printed is so strong  
that when one of the notes is twisted  
into a rope it will sustain a weight  
of 358 pounds.

The workshop at the Manichias Jail  
has for some time been idle and has  
now been secured by the High School  
Athletic Association for basketball and  
other indoor sports.

To help in handling large articles  
while being knit a woman inventor  
has patented a tubular holder on  
which they can be rolled and held  
with a flexible metal strip.

More than 90 per cent of the  
world's platinum comes from the  
Ural Mountains, in Russia, where it  
was discovered in 1819 and first uti-  
lized in 1825 for coinage.

Japan is preparing to build a pyra-  
mid for the first Emperor, Jimmu  
Tenno, somewhere in the suburbs of  
Tokyo, and for this purpose a com-  
mittee of prominent men will collect a  
stone from every subject of the  
empire. It is the intention to make  
this the highest structure in the Far  
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## EDISON

## "Bits of Broadway"

## RE-CREATIONS

(Dance Numbers)

No. 50730

I Never Knew—Medley Fox Trot (Introducing "Marimba")

Max Fells' Della Robbia Orchestra

Sweet Lavender—Fox Trot, David

Max Fells' Della Robbia Orchestra

No. 50738

Na-Jo—Fox Trot, Wiedoeft-Holiday

Max Fells' Della Robbia Orchestra

Mazie—Fox Trot, Gold-Dawson-Caine

Orlando's Orchestra

No. 50739

O-Hi-O—Medley One-Step (Introducing "Thy Troubadour")

Max Fells' Della Robbia Orchestra

Sally—Medley Fox Trot (Introducing "Look For the Silver Lining,"

"Whip-poor-Will", and "Wild Rose"), Kern

Harry Raderman's Jazz Orchestra

No. 50740

Do You Ever Think of Me—Fox Trot, Burnett

Harry Raderman's Jazz Orchestra

Arabia—One-Step, G. H. Green

Green Bros. Novelty Band

No. 50742

Answer—Fox Trot, Vause

Lenzberg's Riverside Orchestra

Sweet Love—Fox Trot, Smalle

Lenzberg's Riverside Orchestra

The Lair Company



## MATTHEWS ITEMS

Rev. L. Hinchey went to Catron Saturday.

Miss Nellie Allsup went to Malden last week.

Mrs. James Gossitt was a Skeston visitor Friday.

Aubrey Shain has purchased him a new Ford roadster.

Miss Irene Loeckne spent the week-end in Lilbourn.

Mrs. L. Hunott went to Skeston Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Ella Vaughn returned to her home in Catron Sunday.

Miss Flo King of Fairview was in Matthews Saturday night.

Rev. S. S. Surface went to Lilbourn Friday to visit his family.

C. L. Yates went to Lilbourn on business Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holderby of La Forge were in Matthews Sunday.

Miss Emma Joe Hawkins went to Lilbourn Friday, returning Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and son spent Sunday with Mrs. Nannie Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Weatherford of White Oak were Matthews visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carroll spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Linn Swartz.

Mr. and Mrs. Alville Fulkerson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Reed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Midgett of Kewanee visited Mr. and Mrs. James Smith Sunday.

Mrs. Linn Swartz attended the meeting of the Macabee's at Skeston last Wednesday.

Messrs. G. D. Steele, G. F. Deane and Earl Swartz motored to Catron Saturday on business.

Miss Wava Shanks of Crowe District and Roy King of Fairview were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Quite a number of people from Morehouse attended services at the Nazarene church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hunott had a dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Levi Proudty and Rev. A. J. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hersinger left Friday for Lilbourn on a visit to Mrs. Hersinger's grandmother, Mrs. Louis Lee.

Misses Phyllis McAduo, Eva Cochran, Vera Roberts, Messrs Frank Sutton and C. L. Yates motored to Lilbourn Sunday.

Mesdames Gladden of Batesville, Louisiana, R. E. Conyers and little son Charles were guests of Mrs. Louis Hunott Thursday.

Mrs. John Rau and children returned Thursday from Arkansas, where they have been the past few weeks visiting relatives.

Miss Ozella Gossitt, who is attending school at Skeston, spent from Friday until Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gossitt.

Mrs. S. S. Huhles and daughter, Miss Christine, returned to their home in Canaolu after a few days visit here with Mr. and Mrs. James Huhles.

Mrs. Amos Buchanan, little son, Brian and sister Camille Hill of Skeston spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill.

Mrs. Chester Grimes of St. Louis, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Deane left Friday of last week for Lilbourn on a visit to her mother, Mrs. M. M. Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stewart entertained with a twelve o'clock dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Story, Mr. and Mrs. F. Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. James Gossitt.

Miss Lola Medcalf spent Saturday in Dexter.

Mrs. W. N. Walpole was shopping in Cairo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McMullin were visitors in Grays Ridge Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. James King left Friday morning for a visit with relatives in Eldorado, Illinois.

Mrs. M. S. Murray and sons went Friday to Fredericktown for a few days visit with Miss Marie DeGuire.

Mrs. Fred Cross came Friday afternoon from Caruthersville for a visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson and other relatives.

Miss Dolly Vinson, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Loda Phelps for several weeks, returned Friday morning to her home in Princeton, Kentucky.

R. A. Moyers, Superintendent of the Oran Schools, was in Skeston Saturday on business regarding the Oran School annual, which is to be made in The Standard office.

Charles W. Ellis, formerly with the Murray Construction Company, came in Saturday from Jefferson, City where he is now employed, for a visit with his many Skeston friends.

Dr. A. H. Barnes, pastor of the Skeston M. E. Church, has accepted the invitation of the Portageville High School to deliver the Baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning, May 8th.

Mrs. W. M. Summers and daughter, who have been with Skeston relatives for several weeks, returned Saturday to their home in Canaolu. Mrs. Summers' sister, Mrs. George Winters, accompanied them and will visit in Canaolu for two or three weeks.

The debating team of Oran High School, having won the championship of Southeast Missouri, will debate with the Carthage team, champions of Southwest Missouri, Friday, April 8th, for the South Missouri honors. The question "Resolved That a Federal Law Providing for Compulsory Arbitration Between Employer and Employee Is Wise and Feasible." The Oran debaters are Jean Zimmerman and Miss Abbie Boutwell. Superintendent R. A. Moyers will accompany the team to Carthage. The winners in this debate will debate the champions of North Missouri at Columbia, May 1st.

WANTED—To rent a house with about five rooms and bath. Call Rambo. Tel. 249.

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**The Freight on a Car of Potatoes From Minn. Is \$110 More than Potatoes.**

Just what the present freight rates mean to the effort of retailers to reduce the cost of living will be better understood when it is known that the freight on a carload of seed potatoes shipped from Minnesota to Poplar Bluff is \$110 more than the jobber received for the potatoes. This is what happened last week when the Allison Merc. Co. bought a car of Burals and had them shipped from Minnesota to this city. The freight amounted to \$110 more than they paid the jobbers for the car of potatoes. The railroads through their high operating costs are strangling agricultural production and at the same time are holding at a high level the cost of food and other articles to the consumer.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

The rainiest spot on earth is the Waipou Valley, in Hawaii, where the precipitation averages one inch a day. The district of Hualalai, on the same island, has a rainfall of but 20 inches a year.

Sile Kildew and wife took a shoebox full of butter to town Saturday and as she had a pound of right old butter left over she went around and presented it to the editor with a few kind remarks.

The United States Bureau of Chemistry finds that the poison of poison ivy is one of the most powerful known in the vegetable world. People have been known to die from too liberal a contact with it. It is present in all parts of the plant, and if taken internally is extremely dangerous.

It goes without saying that our domesticated ducks are derived from species originally wild. They are mostly mallards of European and American varieties. Our long-legged so-called "Indian runner duck" is descended from a stock not satisfactorily identified.

The contract for paving Third and Main Streets of Lilbourn for a distance of five blocks was let by the Lilbourn City Council Saturday night to J. F. Cox and R. A. McCord of Skeston, who also have the contract for building the east half of the Lilbourn-Parma road, for the sum of \$7,684.05. The contractors filed their bond, signed by Sam G. Ballard, which was accepted by the council. Mr. Cox stated that as soon as the piece of road south of the Cotton Belt was finished and he figured this would be accomplished this week, providing rain did not interfere, work on the Lilbourn paving would be commenced. The contract calls for the completion of the project within 80 days.—Lilbourn Herald.

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**THE RURAL GRADUATE DAY AT BENTON**

The regular eight months schools of the County will close Friday, April 22nd, but the final County examinations will be given Thursday and Friday, April 7th and 8th. The questions for the 8th grade will be furnished by the State Superintendent, the County Superintendent will supply the 7th grade questions. After the teachers have given the examinations and graded the papers, the grade reports and the papers must be sent to the County Superintendent to review. Pupils who passed the 7th grade final examinations last year and whose grades are recorded in the Superintendent's office, need to pass only the 8th grade this year in order to graduate. Pupils who have no grades recorded will have to pass examination in both grades to graduate this year. No pupil may be admitted to both examinations who has not spent 2 years in Class "A".

County graduating exercises will be held at Benton, Saturday, April 23. Program will be as follows:

9:30 Final county 7th and 8th grade declamatory contest (4 contestants)

10:20 Final county high school declamatory contest (4 contestants)

11:10 Class address and presentation of diplomas to county graduates.

1:00 County track meets (one meet for grade pupils and one for high school pupils).

There will be two county track meets held simultaneously on graduation day, April 23rd, commencing at 1:00 o'clock, one for high school pupils only and one for 7th and 8th grade pupils only. There will be 8 events as follows:

50, 100 and 200 yard dashes, 440 yard relay (4 men), shot put (8-pound shot), standing and running broad and running high jumps. Each school may enter not more than two men in each event (relay excepted of course). A first place will count 5 points, 2nd, 3; 3rd, 2 and 4th, 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Sexton were visitors in Cairo Wednesday.

Mrs. Josephine Veith returned Sunday from a brief stay in Diehlstadt.

Mrs. C. O. Scott and Mrs. Dick Swanner were visitors in Morehouse Thursday.

Misses Pearl De Witt and Jess Bolling of Lilbourn visited Miss Maggie Matthews over Sunday.

Miss Helen Harbin went Friday afternoon to Charleston for a brief visit with Mrs. Ray Gutzweiler.

Mrs. J. N. Ross left Saturday for Jackson, Tenn., where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Walter Hunter and family.

A. J. Munier came up from Lilbourn Saturday to spend Easter with Mrs. Munier and their daughter, Mrs. N. E. Fuchs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate left Saturday afternoon for St. Louis, where they will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Clary for the week.

Mrs. G. W. Arterburn and daughter, Miss Ruth, left Saturday morning for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Washington and Indianapolis, Ind.

A. F. Altheide, manager of the Semo Developing Association returned Friday from a trip to the oil fields of Illinois, of the Osage Country, and the Wyoming fields.

Mrs. Clara Anderson came down from Commerce Saturday for a visit with her sons, Ralph and Paul Anderson and her daughters, Mrs. Ella Old and Mrs. Emma Kendall.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Miss Eleanor McRae, Miss Irene Robinson, Miss Fern Scott, Miss Camille Klein, Miss Helen Churchill and Messrs. Charles Blanton, Ralph Harper, Ted Anderson, Herman Henry, Theodore Slack, George Lough, Ralph Potashnick and Carl Freeman attended a dance given Friday night in Charleston.

Jeff Sutton, who has not been physically fit for the past several months, departed Friday morning for an extended stay in California, hoping to be greatly benefited by the change. He expects to spend a month with his sister in Fresno and will then go to Los Angeles. The report that he has disposed of his interest in the Cash Grocery is without foundation.

Louis Ferrell, on Friday, shod the youngest mule on record, when he made and put a shoe on a colt three days old. The owner, who lives 12 miles Southwest of Skeston, brought the colt to town in a Ford touring car. The shoe was made about the width of a silver dollar and about twice as long. One of the little fellow legs was slightly drawn causing him to stand on the tip of the hoof. The shoe for this foot was built up at the back to lessen the strain. Young Mr. Mule lay quietly on his side while the shoe was being put on.

**OIL THEORY IN SOUTHEAST MISSOURI IS EXPLODED**

That all the efforts being made by individuals and organized companies in Southeast Missouri to uncover fabulous oil deposits in any paying quantities will prove futile is the opinion of Prof. J. C. Logan, of the Department of Agriculture at the Teachers College, who delivered an address on "Development of Lowlands in Southeast Missouri," at the regular monthly meeting of the College Faculty Club, last night at the college.

Prof. Logan based his opinion on the examination of the deposit which have been made in Southeast Missouri since the beginning of time, and in which he stated there could be found no evidence of the deposits from which oil comes. "Evidences of the deposits of the Silurian, Ordovician and Cambrian period, the earliest periods, can be found," he said "and also of the Tertiary period, which is the latest depository period, but nowhere can be found and deposits of the Carboniferous period, which contain any oil deposits which may be present in the country. Of course, where there is any decaying matter, a certain amount of oil deposits may be found, but not in paying quantities. This also applies to coal deposits."

The Southeast Missouri lowlands have been swept and washed by the waters of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers to such an extent that it is believed that this deposit of the so-called middle period has been removed by the frequent erosions, the college professor stated. Deposits of sand one hundred feet in depth, which could have come from no place except one of the two rivers, have been found and the supposition is that these carboniferous deposits have been carried away by the almost incessant combat with the waters, it was stated. The fact that the Mississippi at an earlier date ran west and south from Cape Girardeau, and that the Ohio river ran through what is now Commerce, and by Dexter in Stoddard County, is evidence enough, Prof. Logan said, to prove that this section of the country with a few exceptions was completely washed at an early date.

In his talk Prof. Logan told of the formation of the two great lowlands in Southeast Missouri, the Advance Lowlands, named after the city of that name in Stoddard county, and the Cairo Lowlands, also called after that city in Illinois. According to his statements the Advance Lowland was formed by erosions of the Mississippi, while the Cairo Lowlands was formed by the erosions of the Ohio. Crowley's Ridge, and Hickory Ridge, other elevations which at one time were parts of Crowley's Ridge, are the only 'high' places in the lowlands, he stated, with the exception of the so-called "Lost Hills" in the southern part of this section. Prof. Logan explained that these were probably formed by the erosions of the tributaries of the Mississippi, which he said ran through Southeast Missouri like a net-work.

"Old Field", located near Advance, a subject for debate as to its probable origin, last night was explained by the college professor, as just a basin which has been left in the Advance Lowlands, and he said did not likely come about as a result of any earthquake as is sometimes thought. The college man also stated that he did not think that any of the lowlands or hills were formed by the earthquake in 1811, which shook the central part of the United States.

"In some parts of these lowlands", Prof. Logan stated, "the land is lower than the Mississippi river itself. This is especially true near Delta, where it is nearly twenty feet lower than the river." That the Mississippi river might at some time change its comparatively new course back to the old one going southwest from Cape Girardeau, was expressed by Prof. Logan, but he intimated that this might be overcome in this modern time by the use of levees. As further evidence of the newness of the present bed of the Mississippi, he gave as an illustration, the width of the river at Thebes, where little signs of erosion can be seen.

Every ten acres in Missouri yields annually enough nectar to support a colony of bees and enable them to store 30 pounds of surplus honey.—Bulletin 138.

Marguerite L. Smith, who was a candidate for re-election to the New York Assembly, is a Sunday school teacher, an expert skater and hockey player and has a master of arts degree from Columbia University.

A law enacted by the last general assembly, is one of interest to nearly every county official. It is the one whereby the population of a county is arrived at for the purpose of fixing the salaries of certain of the officers. Formerly, the vote for the leading candidates was multiplied by five to arrive at the estimate, but because of the enfranchisement of women, this was decided not to be a fair way, so the legislature fixed the multiple as three. It is believed this will greatly increase the salaries of many county officers, especially in counties where women polled a large percentage of their total voting strength.

**NEWSY LETTER FROM HOGVILLE CORRESPONDENT.**

Sile Smith has traded his cook stove for a nice hound.

Zero Peck beat Dan Mathews in a horse trade this week and as a relief for his conscience will try to take some active part in the church service at Bear Ford next Sunday.

It matters not how hard times get you never seen anyone hunting for work in Hogville. They do not seem to care for it. Really Hogville might well be called the playground of the world.

The blind man of the Bear Ford neighborhood has been swindled again this time by the old miser who traded him a dog which did not have as many spots as the one he got from the Blind Man.

Gape Allsop was arrested Tuesday morning for firing four shots at random. He was acquitted of the charge when he proved that he only fired three times at random and the other time at Dag Smith.

Bill Hellwanger was badly shot while engaged in a game of marbles in Petunia Ridge early this week. The bullet went through the bosom of his shirt and he coughed it up without much injury. Ill feeling between him and the defendant is given as the direct cause of the unfortunate affair.

If it were not for the fleas Alexander Moseley and his several dogs would welcome the advent of spring and a few other disadvantages one gets a great deal of pleasure out of having a dozen or so dogs around the premises. Mr. Moseley has always made his dogs feel at home by making them feel just the same as other members of the family.

A mule has been left hitched at the post office and if the owner does not call for same in five days the postmaster will forward it to the dead letter office at Washington. Only last month he sent a nice wild hog which had been putting in an appearance at the post office occasionally and at times would take the liberty of sleeping under the post office floor.

The steps leading into the Wild Rose school house were stolen a few nights ago. The Assistant Constable has been put on the case and has several of our good citizens under suspicion, as he passed a house where a mass meeting on the road question was being held on the night of the crime, and overheard one of the speakers say that steps should be taken at once to repair a bridge over near Bear Ford.

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A clean, high-class educational demonstration of Hypnotism in many different phases. Completely turning the mind wrong-side-out; changing a clubman to a newsboy and vice-versa. Don't miss tonight, as the Hawaiian Dance alone, with SKESTON fellows dressed in the native Hawaiian costumes is worth the price of admission. Many other comedy tests too numerous to mention. Also wonderful Cataleptic and Somnambulistic test. Worlds of Comedy.

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# MULES FOR SALE



100 head of good North Missouri Mules; all broke and ready to go to work. Ages 3 to 5 years old. All have the size and quality. I pick these mules from the farmers myself. Sold 35 head of the same class of mules in three days last week. Price is right and your note is good with me.

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**BARNEY WAGNER**  
ORAN, MO.



## OIL WELL RIGGING NOW BEING ERECTED

Fagan & Fagan, of Robinson, Ill., contractors, have arrived in Sikeston with a corps of workmen and are now on the job of putting up one of the largest drilling outfits ever erected in the United States. Before the end of the week the derrick will be ready for the drillers and the first of the coming week the work of sinking the first of the Semo oil wells will be under way.

The road to the ground through Vanduser is now being put in order and the Semo Company are building a private road right up to their property that those interested may visit the workers at any time and see the drill in operation.

The first test well being sunk is an 18-inch well and will be the largest ever sunk in Southeast Missouri. Other wells are to follow on different leases controlled by the Semo Development Ass'n., and their geologist feels absolutely certain that oil in paying quantity will be found on their leases. This will mean much to this section of Missouri and put the stockholders on easy street. There has never been an oil well sunk but what outside capital furnished the money and if oil was found reaped the benefit. Only a limited amount of stock has been sold outside of the Sikeston District. Those who have purchased the stock of the Semo Development Co. did so to help develop the country and at the same time get the benefits if oil in paying quantities is found.

## POLES WHIP A LEGISLATOR WHO MISREPRESENTED THEM

Warsaw, April 1.—Peasants of Western Galicia have set a new fashion of using the cat-o-nine-tails to rebuke a Legislator who failed to carry out the wishes of the voters of his district.

Michael Marck, a peasant member of the Polish Diet, went home to Galicia recently to report progress of his work. A special meeting was called by his constituents to hear all that their leader had accomplished.

Incidentally, Marck informed those assembled that he had voted in favor of an upper house, or senate, for Poland's next diet, which virtually all peasants of the State opposed, considering it the future stronghold of social reactions.

Marck was permitted to finish his speech—then he was taken out into the yard and given 25 strokes with a home-made cat-o-nine-tails, for voting against the judgment of his constituents.

Luke Mathews notices where a lady at Tickville one day last week entertained with a miscellaneous shower, but he has been unable to find any record of such in the almanac.

## UTILITIES COMPANY GRANTED A RAISE

Jefferson City, March 31.—Electricity rates in sixteen towns in Southeast Missouri served by the Public Utilities Company, were ordered increased today by the Missouri Public Commission. An increase in water rates at Cape Girardeau also was granted. The towns affected and the percentage of increase follow: Cape Girardeau, water, 20 per cent; electricity, 4½ per cent; Charleston, 13.9; Sikeston, 76; Chaffee, Dexter, Dudley, East Prairie, Fisk, Ilmo, Fomfelt, Morehouse, Oran, Morley Blodgett and Bertrand all 10.6 per cent increase on light.

The Utilities Commission retained jurisdiction and may if there is a big decrease in the cost of fuel or labor, reduced these rates. The new rates are to become effective April 6. The cases have been pending since April 23, 1920. The increase granted approximate 30 per cent of the raises asked by the company, which serves all of the towns named.

## WOULD MAKE TARIFF RELIEVE FARMERS OF FREIGHT BURDEN

Washington, April 1.—Protection for the farmer on an equality with manufacturers and industrial interests in any tariff policy which is to be decided upon and adding to any rates which may be levied "an amount equal to the extra freight charges in getting products to the consuming centers" is urged in a statement by Secretary Wallace. The "heavy additional burden" imposed on the producers by increased freight rates, the Secretary declared "are a differential imposed upon our own producers and to the benefit of our foreign competitors."

Manufacturers are "naturally and properly" laying plans to meet foreign competition in the world markets and desire a tariff to protect them against cheap foreign goods, Wallace asserted, but he insisted that the situation facing the producers "must be considered" in any tariff legislation, whether emergency or permanent. Producers, he said, are getting prices below cost of production, "not alone because of inactive business conditions at home, but because of the importations of competing foreign markets."

The nation "cannot afford to permit the breaking down of its own agriculture," the Secretary continued, "even if for a time we can buy food and other farm products cheaper from some one else." At present, he said, there is a large surplus of agricultural products, but "this will not continue, because the population is growing and consumption will catch up with production."

## Napoleon's Palace a Public Resort.

Vienna, April 2.—Schoenbrunn, the imperial chateau where once dwelt Maria Theresa and where Napoleon Bonaparte planned his 1805 and 1809 campaigns in Austria, will be turned over to the people of Vienna as a public monument and recreation ground. Belvedere Palace, another noble chateau in this city, may become a gambling casino, according to reports. It is considered one of the most beautiful estates in Austria.

## Sunflower Seed Good Price.

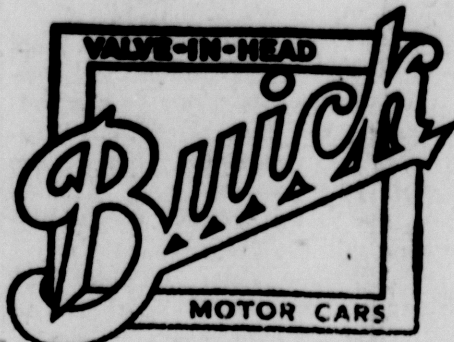
The first shipment of six cars of second grade sunflower seed from the warehouses of the Southeast Missouri Co-operative Sunflower Growers Association, went to the Trenton mill of the American Cotton Oil Co. recently. This lot of seed has been sold f. o. b. loading station at a good price. Recent chemical analysis of the meal show that its feeding value is virtually the same as cotton seed meal.

Laboratory tests of sunflower seed oil are said to have been so successful that it is believed here and entirely new and almost unlimited market has been developed for the second grade seed which heretofore has been used only in mixed and scratch feeds and then only in limited quantities.

The growers' association, backed by the Farm Bureau Federation, is using every effort to have sunflower seed included in the list of articles on which a tariff is to be placed by congress. A tariff of 2 cents a pound on seed and 20 cents a gallon on the oil is being asked.—West Plains Gazette.

Mrs. J. W. Winchester and Miss Anita were visitors in Cairo Saturday.

## The BUICK at Your Door---



Buick ownership nowadays denotes the thoughtful buyer—the man who sifts the markets. For men are studying cars and analyzing them as never before, weighing, in cold-blooded fashion, value against price.

And Buick confidently welcomes the closest scrutiny—the most rigid comparisons of price, appearance, power and performance. The more you dig into Buick the more impressed you become with the wonderful piece of machinery it is; a collection of mechanical units each correct in itself yet co-ordinated and properly related to other units so as to make up a well-engineered car.

The Buick Valve-in-Head motor car today is a genuine transportation value that can only be equaled by another Buick.

Get one at YOUR door.

## Taylor Implement and Automobile Company

### Edison's Opinion of the Eight Hour Day.

Perhaps there is no more popular and hard working man than Thomas A. Edison, America's wizard inventor. When he expresses his opinion of anything it is usually worth consideration by most of us. Speaking of the trend of modern labor, he says:

"I am not against the eight hour day, or any other thing that protects labor from exploitation at the hands of ruthless employers. But it makes me sad to see young Americans shackle their abilities by blindly conforming to rules which force the industrious man to keep step with the shirker. I have always felt that one of the principal reasons for American progress in the past has been that every man had a chance to become whatever he wanted to be."

"Today I am wondering what would have happened to me by now if fifty years ago some fluent talker had converted me to the theory of the eight hour day and convinced me that it was not fair to my fellow-workers to put forth my best efforts in my work. I am glad that the eight hour day had not been invented when I was a young man. If my life had been made up of eight hour days I do not believe I could have accomplished a great deal. This country would not amount to as much as it does if the young men of fifty years ago had been afraid that they might earn more than they were paid. There ought to be some labor leader strong enough to make trade unions a means for fitting their members for better jobs and greater responsibilities."

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Horne, Mrs. G. C. Greenway, Mrs. Vance Montgomery, Misses Glenda and Mary Elizabeth Montgomery, Tylene Kendall and Jewell Scott, spent Saturday in Cairo.

The Catholic ladies will hold their annual Fancy and Apron Sale Wednesday, April 13th at the home of Mrs. Bettie Matthews. Chicken sandwiches, coffee and cake will be served.

Mrs. Sayers Tanner and Miss Mary Blanton will entertain Tuesday night with a "gift shower" given in compliment to Mrs. Chester Kassel, formerly Miss Iva Milem. The affair will be given at Mrs. Tanner's country home, northwest of town.

### FARMER'S WIFE FINDS ASTONISHING RELIEF

"For ten long years I had suffered with my stomach. I tried everything without relief, but after one dose of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy I knew I had obtained what I had been looking for and I took the full course of treatment. It is going on 4 years now and I have never had any pains or bloating since." It removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract, and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded at Hess & Co., and Druggists Everywhere.

Miss Mary Wilson spent Sunday in Oran, the guest of Mrs. Arthur Baumgartner.

Mrs. Lay returned Saturday night from St. Louis and Collinsville, Ill., where she visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Sikes entertained with five table for Bridge, Thursday evening at their home, 407 South Kingshighway.

Mrs. J. Fred Bowman and son have returned from Cape Girardeau, where they have been guests of Mr. Bowman's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Cottle.

Mrs. Ella Old, Mrs. Emma Kendall, Mrs. Wallace Applegate and little Lillian Gail Applegate are visiting relatives in Commerce for a few days.

Mrs. Frank Mount, who, last week, submitted to an operation at St. Mary's Infirmary, Cairo, is reported well on the road to recovery. Her doctors think she may be allowed to return home the first of next week.

The meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held this week on Thursday afternoon instead of Wednesday. The Woman's Missionary society will meet Wednesday afternoon. Both meetings will be held in the parlors of the M. E. Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Spradling, Miss Nina Spradling of Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kassel of Cape Girardeau came down Sunday by automobile for a visit with relatives. The Spradlings visited Mrs. Spradling's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moll. The Kassels were guests of Mrs. Kassel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Milem.

Wallace Applegate left Sunday on a business trip to St. Louis.

Sam Ulen of Dexter spent a few hours in Sikeston Saturday.

Miss Margery Smith returned Saturday from a visit to Lilbourn.

Miss Bernice Waltemate of Poplar Bluff visited friends here over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Loebe and Master J. P. visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Loebe in Charleston Sunday.

Carroll Myer, Tom Baty, Hodge Decker and Fred Rodman spent Sunday and Sunday night in Cairo.

Barney Forrester, Dick Watkins, Clyde Boutwell and Jeff Myer were among the several Sikestonians who spent Sunday in Oran.

Mrs. J. R. Bowman, Miss Marguerite Bowman and Bob Goodwin of Jackson motored to Sikeston Sunday for a visit with Mrs. Nellie Estes and Miss Grace Estes.

Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews, who are living near Blodgett, came down last week to remain for several days. John has been in bad health for some time and came to be treated by a Sikeston physician.

Missouri is the "Land of Opportunity" both for the investor and the home-builder, since more than ten millions of acres still await the molding hand of the dairyman, poultryman and live stock producer who will within the next five years flock to central and southern Missouri where they can buy cheap land at low prices or improved land at a cost much below the more northern Corn Belt and dairy states.

N. E. Fuchs of Sikeston, who recently purchased the Majestic Hotel (Wedge) was a Lilbourn business visitor Wednesday, to investigate the complaint made as to sewerage from the hotel, which are going through septic tank empties into a ditch the odors from which have been annoying for several years. Mr. Fuchs finds the septic tank to be in good working order at the present time and residue of water coming from it to be clear as crystal and free from odor, hence as far as the hotel is concerned, there should be no complaint. It appears that lime and other substances were put in the tank last year which made it inoperative.—Lilbourn Herald.

## MACK HIGGINS HOME ENTERED BY THIEVES

Sunday evening, between 9 and 10 o'clock, during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Higgins, their home on Dorothy Street was entered by someone who, ransacked the place thoroughly and left taking articles of clothing belonging to Mr. Higgins and his son, also a watch and stick pin. Eggs and a pitcher of butter milk were stolen from the refrigerator.

The pitcher was emptied and thrown in the alley back of the house.

Scattered about the neighborhood Monday morning various pieces of discarded clothing were found. The thief evidently arrayed himself in the better garments he had stolen.

Charred matches were found in every room of the house.

## LOOS CARNIVAL COMPANY FOR SIKESTON FAIR

A contract has been signed whereby the Loos Carnival Company will furnish amusement for the 1921 Southeast Missouri District Fair. The Loos Company, reputed one of the best on the road, includes fifteen shows and five riding devices. Thirty cars are required to transport the 350 people and the equipment employed in the shows.

The shows include an interesting exhibition of war relics, upon which lectures are given at frequent intervals during each afternoon and evening.

Noah's Ark, a novel mechanical device, demonstrates to the visitors the "rocking of the boat" to which Noah and his varied passengers probably were subjected while the flood raged. Other side-splitting attractions are "Room 202" and "Dinty Moore's Saloon", the front of which is decorated with many familiar "Bringing Up Father" cartoons.

A small, representative menagerie is one of the principal attractions, with its lions, monkeys, cockatoos, snakes, and a dozen other animals of different kinds not seen every day.

The Hawaiian village is the chief dancing attraction and there are "Dixie Minstrels" to provide music and comedy.

Other attractions are the Motor-drome, the Skelton Man, Jungle Land, Nemo, the Tallest Man on Earth, the Lilliputian Village, a Marionette Show, the Smallest Mother and Baby, Ferris Wheel, Merry-go-round, Whip, Aeroplane Whirl. There are glass blowers, fire eaters and a circus of trained fleas, a freak animal show which contains a cow with two extra legs growing out of her back, a horse with a camel's back, another horse with eight legs instead of four, a three legged sheep, a goat with four horns, a rabbit with only one ear and having five feet instead of four, four-footed chickens and ducks with chicken feet.

By gazing through a powerful microscope, one may see the Lord's Prayer cut clearly on the head of an ordinary small pin. Each letter stands out like printing.

A splendid carnival band furnishes music when the shows are open.

E. J. Mahoney of Dexter transacted business in this city Monday.

Mrs. Earl Johnson and Mrs. Earl Malone shopped in Cairo Monday.

When money talks we never stop to criticize its grammar.—Chicago News.

Some of the copper coins used by the ancients were as large as dinner plates.

Doc Olds, Dick Watkins and Miss Lola McDelf spent (a week) in Morley Sunday afternoon.

Charles Blanton and Regs Potashnick were visitors in Cape Girardeau Sunday afternoon. Misses Gretchen Dunaway and Laura Ruhl accompanied them as far as Morley.

In England a sentence of life imprisonment is always reviewed at the end of 15 years, and if the prisoner's conduct has been uniformly good, he is usually released. This is particularly the case where a prisoner has been sentenced for murder, for murderers are usually well-behaved prisoners.

Ten or twelve autos filled with Sikeston baseball fans motored to East Prairie Sunday to see the game between Sikeston and East Prairie. The game was only a practice game and a most uninteresting one at that, Sikeston beating the East Prairie nine 10-2. An effort is being made to get the Dexter team here for a game next Sunday.

## EARL SAMS HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

A disastrous fire, which occurred between 11 and 12 o'clock Sunday evening, destroyed the house on Prosperity Street, which was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sams. The family was not at home and the fire had gained such headway before being discovered, that the volunteer fire fighters were unable to control the flames or to save any of the contents of the building.

It is reported that Sams and some friends, all of whom were intoxicated, had been there a short time before and it is thought a lighted cigarette or match carelessly thrown aside, started the fire. The building belonged to Miss Eva Carter, who carried about \$1500 insurance. Sams had about \$1100 insurance on furniture and clothing.

The Finance Committee of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau held a meeting here Monday afternoon to check up returns in the drive for funds, now on. The lists totaled a little over the \$20,000, but it was decided to continue to solicit subscriptions until every man in Southeast Missouri, who should be a member, is lined up.

Work is centered this week on Pemiscon County. All counties are doing fine and lining up splendidly. A call will soon be issued for election of directors.

Miss Ruth DeWitt spent the week end in Kennett, the guest of Miss La Verne Tucker.

Miss Alfreda Denton was down from Cape Girardeau to spend Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Denton.

Mrs. Clarence Davis and children came Friday from Charleston to join Mr. Davis, who is employed in the offices of the Sikes-McMullin Grain Company. They expect to move into the house now occupied by Harry Dover.

Miss Gladys Strickland will arrive the latter part of the week from Chicago for an extended visit at the Dr. H. J. Stewart home. Miss Strickland made many friends during her stay here last year who will be glad to learn of her coming visit.

LOST—Goodyear molded tire. Lost on streets of Sikeston or close by. An old tire. Notify Tanner Dye.



## Music while you dine

Seated at your own table, in the comfort of your own home, you can summon the world's greatest artists to entertain your guests, your family and yourself on the Victrola. Such an accompaniment to the meal adds much to its enjoyment and brightens the whole occasion.

Let us show you the attractive Victrola models. There is one to match your furnishings.



DERRIS, THE DRUGGIST  
Sikeston, Missouri.



## "Finicky Folks"

Most of our customers are "Finicky Folks"—it's our particular delight to please them.

We find that our modern family laundry service most appeals to the most particular people.

We're sure, therefore, it will appeal to you. You'll appreciate the quality of it, and you'll be pleased with its economy, too.

And it saves you time as well as money—we wash and iron everything but a few pieces which you can easily iron at home.

Try this new wash-way—bundle up everything that needs washing and phone us tomorrow.

**Sikeston Electric  
Laundry Co.**

Phone 165



# SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAYS  
AT SIKESTON, MISSOURI.

Entered at the Postoffice at Sikeston,  
Scott County, Missouri, as second-  
class mail matter, according to act  
of Congress.

THE STANDARD is the only paper in  
Scott County that is published  
twice-a-week; for newspaper read-  
ers wanting the news while it is  
news, and for advertisers desiring  
quick results, it is the best medium.

The Standard announces the follow-  
ing new rates for advertising effective  
August 1, 1920:

Display advertising, per single column  
inch, net .....25c  
Reading notices per line.....10c  
Financial statements for banks.....\$6.00  
Probate notices, minimum.....\$5.00

The Standard announces the follow-  
ing new rates for subscription effective  
September 1, 1920:

Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott  
and adjoining counties.....\$2.00  
Yearly subscription elsewhere in  
United States.....\$2.50  
No renewal allowed at present rate  
for longer than one year.

Foreign Advertising Representative  
THE AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

The parties from Sikeston who  
have been visiting certain parties in  
the vicinity of Salcedo and Tanner  
and returning with bootleg whiskey  
are known. The parties in the vicinity  
of Salcedo and Tanner make regu-  
lar trips via the Gulf line, south,  
and return with heavily laden valises.  
A hint to the wise is sufficient.

W. C. Morse, superintendent of the  
Missouri Division of the Missouri Pacific,  
with headquarters in Poplar  
Bluff has tendered his resignation of  
that position, having accepted the position  
of vice-president and general  
manager of the Louisiana Railroad &  
Navigation Company, which railroad  
operates between Shreveport and New  
Orleans—a road of about 600 miles.  
His new headquarters will be at  
Shreveport.

In a conversation with the editor of  
the Democrat a few days ago, R. M.  
Finney stated that while some of our  
people consider that times are very  
hard at present, it is nothing to com-  
pare with conditions following the civil  
war. There was no money then to  
buy anything with, but the people got  
down to work and got by without it.  
Every family had its cards and looms  
and carded and spun both wool and  
cotton thread, which was woven into  
cloth for clothing for every member  
of the family. For coffee they used  
parched wheat. Every family had a  
gritter to grit corn, when they ran  
out of old corn, before the new was  
hard enough to grind; and for sweet-  
enein' they had to depend to a large  
extent on country sorghum. In fact,  
each community was practically  
thown on its own resources. Imagine  
conditions like that, and appreciate  
the fact that you are living in the  
present generation.—Dunklin Demo-  
crat.

## The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE  
IV.—GEORGIA

ON JANU-  
ARY 2,  
1788, Georgia  
accepted the  
Constitution  
and became  
the fourth  
state in the  
Union. The settlement of Georgia  
was conceived as a buffer  
against the depredations of the  
Spaniards and Indians, whose  
invasions of South Carolina had  
reached a climax in 1715 with a  
raid in which four or five hun-  
dred settlers had been massa-  
cred. To protect South Caro-  
lina from future invasions James  
Oglethorpe planned a colony to  
the south, and in 1732 he ob-  
tained from George II a grant of  
land. The new territory was  
consequently named Georgia,  
after the king. The deed stated  
that the king was granted "in  
trust for the poor." This referred  
to Oglethorpe's plan to have as  
the settlers the insolvent debtors  
who, according to the laws  
of that time in England, were  
cast into prison. Many of these  
were released from prisons and,  
re-enforced by some Germans  
and Scotch Highlanders, found-  
ed the town of Savannah in 1733  
and rapidly spread up and down  
the coast, where successful  
plantations of rice and indigo  
soon became established. Georgia  
continued to prosper until  
the population of its 59,285  
square miles entitles it to a rep-  
resentation of 14 presidential  
electors.  
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### Whom Does It Represent?

In view of the fight that is being  
waged by the Missouri Federation of  
Commercial Clubs for the "pork-bar-  
reling" of the \$60,000,000 road bond  
funds among the counties of the  
state, it is pertinent to ask and dem-  
and unequivocal answers to these  
questions:

What is the Missouri Federation of  
Commercial Clubs? What recognized  
commercial clubs of the state are  
members of it, pay dues and autho-  
rize A. Lyman Donlin and I. R. Kelso,  
both of St. Louis by the way, to  
voice officially its sentiment on all  
matters of importance? What com-  
mercial clubs are represented by the  
gentlemen whose names are signed to  
the published statement opposing the  
primary road plan? For instance,  
what organization in St. Louis County  
is represented by Sam D. Hodgdon,  
by Louis N. Renfrow and E. P. Lamp-  
kin in St. Louis, and Heber Nations  
in Cole County?

All those mentioned have an in-  
disputable right to voice their indi-  
vidual opinions as to the best man-  
ner of spending the \$60,000,000 road  
money, but since they set forth that  
they represent the commercial clubs  
of Missouri, the progressive citizens  
of the state most certainly have the  
right to ask for their credentials. Are  
they authorized to speak for the com-  
mercial clubs of St. Joseph, Joplin,  
Springfield, Chillicothe, Caruthers-  
ville, Marshall, Fulton, Fayette, Jeff-  
erson City, Mexico, Sedalia, Sikeston  
and Moberly?

The questions are inspired by the  
fact that charges have been made and  
up to this time not satisfactorily an-  
swered that the Missouri Federation  
of Commercial Clubs is a mere skele-  
ton organization, of composed chief-  
ly of Messrs. Donlin and Kelso and  
representing but a mere handful of  
Missourians. The Star does not pre-  
tend to know the actual situation  
with reference to its strength and in  
order that the state may be enabled  
to obtain a correct estimate of it,  
it throws its columns open to Mr. Kelso  
and Mr. Donlin, not for generalities  
and propaganda, but for actual cor-  
roborated proofs that it does represent  
the commercial interests of the state  
or any considerable part of them.

Until this evidence is forthcoming  
in conclusive form, we suggest that  
statements emanating from the Mis-  
souri Federation be regarded merely  
as the private opinions of the gentle-  
men whose names are attached and  
treated for what they are worth as  
individual expressions.—St. Louis  
Star.

### The Irish Problem.

"Sir Philip Gibbs is a friend of  
mine," said Father Duffy in his Sun-  
day night lecture on the Irish ques-  
tion. "I admire him very much for  
his personal qualities and for his  
work." Father Duffy had already  
shown his friendship by pleading for  
fair play at a turbulent Gibbs meet-  
ing. At the same hour Sir Philip  
was paying a tribute to Father Duffy  
as "a gallant man, a gentleman and  
a sportsman." By thus proving that  
an Englishman and an American of  
Irish blood who favors the Irish re-  
public can discuss the future of the  
hapless island in a kindly spirit,  
maintaining the courtesies of de-  
bate while sharply disagreeing as  
to politics—that they can even agree  
on one thing, which is that there  
should be no war between the United  
States and Great Britain—these  
eminent debaters have rendered a  
service to their countrymen and blood  
brothers in a troublous time. For  
that is the spirit in which the Irish  
question must be settled, whenever it  
is settled and no matter how. Peace  
will not come by shooting police of-  
ficers in their beds or by equality  
bloody reprisals against Sinn Fein  
towns. The trouble must be ended  
by debate, discussions and decision in  
which the ordinary decencies are ob-  
served, or it will never be ended.—  
New York World.

The sale of intoxicating drinks  
was prohibited in England as early  
as the reign of the Saxon King Ed-  
gar, who closed hundreds of ale  
houses.

The Missouri Farm Bureau Federa-  
tion will shortly distribute sample  
Farm Bureau buttons to each of the  
counties in Missouri. These buttons  
have been adopted by the American  
Farm Bureau Federation Executive  
Committee and are recommended to  
all counties in the United States.

Now that the Mississippi River  
Commission is to complete the Levee  
on St. John Bayou Bottom and  
thereby protect from possible over-  
flow 200,000 acres of land in New  
Madrid, Scott and Mississippi coun-  
ties from overflow, for all time, New  
Madrid business men are looking for-  
ward to the big trade that will come  
to us in a couple of years. The land  
to be reclaimed is the most fertile  
in the United States and will be  
quickly made the homes of thousands  
of prosperous farmers.—New Mad-  
rid Record.

### Will Land Values Drop?

You who own land or are thinking  
of buying, lately have wondered, "Are  
land values going to depreciate along  
with the general deflation of prices?"  
The value of farm land during the  
past year decreased seven per cent,  
says the Department of Agriculture.  
Here is its estimate of the average  
value of an acre of plow land in the  
United States:

March 1, 1914.....\$52.94  
March 1, 1916..... 58.00  
March 1, 1917..... 62.17  
March 1, 1918..... 68.38  
March 1, 1919..... 74.31  
March 1, 1920..... 90.01  
March 1, 1921..... 83.78

The drop in farm land values has  
been greatest in southern states—22  
per cent in Georgia and 24 per cent  
in Kentucky. That's due to the cotton  
and tobacco situation.

Iowa has the highest-priced farm  
land—averaging \$200 an acre, com-  
pared with \$219 a year ago.

The lowest rate of decline was in  
western states. California,  
Oregon and Colorado even showed an  
increase.

Farm land values, however, are  
higher now than in any year up to  
1920. The slump is due to the crash  
in prices of farm products. Whether  
the slump will continue during the  
next few years, depends on the sell-  
ing price of farm products.

Probably the depreciation is only  
temporary. Single taxers, at least,  
will claim so. Their theory is that  
the trend of land values, as popula-  
tion becomes more dense, is always  
upward and that land values steadily  
absorb all increase in wealth pro-  
duced by man's labor and inventiveness.

As for city land, it is subject to  
the same economic laws as farm  
land.

Land may decline in value, as  
measured by dollars, in line with gen-  
eral lowering of cost of living, but  
the owner doesn't really lose, for his  
dollars will buy more.—Missouri  
State Journal.

### Hog Cholera Can Be Prevented.

The prevalence of hog cholera is  
not only unnecessary but is due to  
poor management and lack of co-op-  
eration among owners of hogs. This  
is the opinion of Professor J. C. Logan  
of the Department of Agriculture in  
the Southeast Missouri State College.  
Mr. Logan is an expert in methods of  
hog cholera prevention and spent a  
part of last week working with Coun-  
ty Agent Hensley of New Madrid  
Co., in demonstrating methods of hog  
cholera vaccination. He finds that  
this disease is pretty well control-  
led throughout Southeast Missouri.  
He says, however, that all owners of  
herds should vaccinate whenever there  
is possibility of a spread of the dis-  
ease. Owners should not await until  
the disease appears in their herds be-  
fore vaccinating. Mr. Logan is keen-  
ly interested in stamping out hog  
cholera throughout Southeast Mis-  
souri. He will work with all the  
county agents of this section to this  
end whenever they call on him.

### Americans Sentenced in Bergdoll Kid- naping Released.

Washington, March 31.—The War  
Department today announced that  
Carl Nouf and Franz Zimmer, the  
two Americans imprisoned in Ger-  
many for an attempt to kidnap Gro-  
ver Cleveland Bergdoll, American draft  
deserter, were released at noon today.  
The release was ordered by the  
Berlin Foreign Office, Brigadier-Gen-  
eral H. T. Allen, commanding at  
Coblenz, reported. The German Com-  
missioner at Coblenz, after a tele-  
phone conversation with Berlin, no-  
tified Gen. Allen at noon today that  
the sentences had been remitted  
"pending good behavior," and that  
the men probably would reach Cob-  
lenz tomorrow.

A good thing to remember these  
days is that Socialism, I. W. W.-ism,  
Communism, Bolshevism and Nonpar-  
tisan Leagueism are all alike in their  
ultimate outcome. They all mean the  
forcible taking from the people of  
the things which they possess and the  
substitution of the despotism of a  
class for our free Republican-Demo-  
cratic institutions.—Iola Register.

It is a far cry from lifting a tack  
by means of magnetism to the lifting  
of massive iron plates weighing four,  
six and twelve tons by this same  
force, which is now done every work-  
day in a number of large steel works.  
Electromagnetism, of course, is uti-  
lized, the form of the magnet being  
usually rectangular for this work and  
presenting a flat surface to the plates  
lifted. The magnets are suspended  
by chains from cranes, and pick up  
the plates by simple contact. The  
metal plates can be lifted by the mag-  
net while still so hot that it would  
be impossible for men to handle them.  
The ratio of weight lifted  
varies with the machine; in some  
cases this ratio is 30. A magnet is  
operated by current from a dynamo,  
controlled by switches and rheostats.

## GERMANY "PREPARES" SAYS FRENCH LEADER

Paris, March 27.—Marshal Fay-  
olle, who commanded the French  
group of armies at the battle of the  
Somme and later commanded French  
divisions on the Italian front, de-  
clared in an exclusive interview to-  
day that German is earnestly pre-  
paring for a new war, and that un-  
less the allies took firm action at once  
they never would carry out the Ver-  
sailles treaty.

"The Germans are pursuing mili-  
tary preparations in an underhanded  
manner," the French warrior declar-  
ed, "and the allies must act with de-  
termination now, for later Germany  
will be so strong that we will be un-  
able to impose our will upon her."

"Official information received from  
Germany shows that despite the stipu-  
lation of the treaty our former ad-  
versaries have not discontinued ag-  
gressive preparations. They are camou-  
flaging cannon and machine  
guns, and, above all, are forwarding  
a huge aviation programme.

"We forbade them to build war  
airplanes, but permitted them to  
continue the manufacture of com-  
mercial machines. Anyone knows  
how easily these could be trans-  
formed in a few hours to bombing planes.  
"It may be expected that in the  
next conflict, immediately war is de-  
clared and perhaps even before, Lon-  
don and Paris will be deluged with  
bombs from these commercial air  
squadrons.

"The Germans then will bomb fac-  
tories and railroads, hampering mo-  
bilization and frightening the popu-  
lation. The Germans are not chang-  
ed by war. Some day one of the  
Hohenzollerns will return to Berlin.  
Everything seems bent now toward a  
crisis.

"Germany always will remain the  
same, tenacious and industrious, but  
cunning and pugnacious. Some people  
train wolves as watch dogs, but ev-  
tually they become wolves again.

"I don't speak in this way through  
hatred for the Germans. I do not hate  
them. I wish they were quite dif-  
ferent. But they have just given us  
fresh proof of their dishonesty by re-  
fusing to fulfill their agreement con-  
cerning payment of the war in-  
demnities they owe.

"The allies should treat Germany  
exactly as a creditor treats an un-  
scrupulous debtor—take guarantees  
and hold them until the debt is paid  
in full.

"We already have one guarantee—  
the Rhineland—which we will not  
leave until Germany completely has  
discharged her debt, for it is a ques-  
tion of life and death with us.

"If Germany persists in refusing  
after May 1, we may take further  
guarantees. Our plan contemplates  
the occupation of Frankfurt and the  
seizure of state property, mines, rail-  
ways and customs.

"The Germans falsify when they  
declare they are economically ruined.  
Her exports are on the increase and  
even the exchange rates favor her  
commercial expansion.

"Some one has said that two na-  
tions gained the real victories of the  
great war—England, who obtained  
the German colonies and the destruc-  
tion of the German fleet, and Ger-  
many, who was able to complete  
and strengthen her unity. This is  
near the truth. France is really the  
vanquished nation.

"If our statesmen yield on the

question of reparations we will con-  
sider them treacherous."

Mrs. Ellen Thiele came in from St.  
Louis Wednesday night for a visit  
with Mrs. James Nester.

Miss Cleo Young left Thursday af-  
ternoon for Parma, where she will  
visit several days with relatives.

Everett Dye left Tuesday night for  
Clinton, Mo., where he has accepted  
a position. Mrs. Dye and children  
expect to join him later.

John Dameron, who has been visit-  
ing his daughter, Mrs. Candace Plott  
and family, returned Thursday to  
his home in Colfax, Illinois.

Lieut. Arthur Girard Hamilton, son  
of Mrs. Belle Edmondson of this city,  
was married in St. Louis Saturday  
to Miss Miriam Hunter of San An-  
tonio, Texas.

Young Hamilton has been in the  
U. S. Air service since the beginning  
of the war, serving as instructor in  
aviation fields.

Young Hamilton established a  
world's record for parachute leaping  
at Chanute Field, on March 23, when  
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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Charles M. Barnes of Marston was a business visitor in New Madrid Tuesday of last week.

Miss Hester Davis of Jonesboro, Ark., visited many of her friends and associates in New Madrid last week.

Fred Weigle of Arizona arrived the first of last week on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Weigle of this city.

Mrs. D. C. Wells of Malden arrived Wednesday of last week to spend a few days with her daughter, Miss Helen Wells.

Rivers Hampton of St. Louis joined his family here last week and visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hampton of this city.

Mr. Kinder of Cape Girardeau was in New Madrid last week looking after the interest of the Southeast Missouri paper of that city.

Julian N. Friant of Cape Girardeau and Mr. Barnes of St. Louis Chamber of Commerce were the principal speakers at a meeting held in New Madrid Wednesday night of last week in the interest of the Farm Bureau movement. A sumptuous banquet preceded the meeting.

Supt. R. H. Long received notice Tuesday of last week from Miss Mary Kochitzky of the Art Department of Cape Girardeau, State Teachers College that Opal Riggs and Oretta Pharris had won prizes in Health Poster Contest. Opal won first prize in Division 5 and Corrett, third in Division 2.

Mrs. S. B. Hunter Sr., and Mrs. Harold E. Hunter entertained at the Hamilton Hotel Wednesday afternoon of last week with fourteen tables for Five Hundred. The dining room was attractively decorated with Dogwood blossoms. A chicken lunch salad, olives, celery, coffee and mints were served. Mrs. W. R. Pinnell, making the highest score was awarded the first prize, a sofa pillow. The second prize, a hand embroidered collar and cuff set was awarded to Mrs. S. R. Hunter Jr.

Sheriff Ambrose Kerr and his deputies J. H. Crabb, Claude Kerr and Constable Guy Humphreys returned Monday of last week from Farmington, where they had taken Charles Hall and Pohn Odom to the State Hospital No. 4. Both men had become mentally unbalanced and were raving maniacs. The sheriff speaks very highly of this institution and insists that every person in Southeast Missouri should visit it, that they may know how well the State is caring for these mentally afflicted unfortunates.

The Parma Bank, a corporation of New Madrid County and J. C. Hon of New Madrid County:  $\frac{3}{4}$  of lot 4 block 6 in City of Parma. \$1600.00.

Gideon-Anderson Lumber & Mercantile Company of Gideon, New Madrid County, to Robert B. Meentemeyer of New Madrid County: All of lot 6 and  $\frac{3}{4}$  of lot 5 in block 12 town of Gideon, New Madrid County, Mo. \$550.00.

Hiramelberger-Harrison Land Selling Company of Cape Girardeau, to Marion W. Mayes of Tallapoosa: All that portion of the N  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  section 36 twp. 22, range 11, laying east of the right-of-way of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway, except however a strip of land 83 feet wide off of the east side of said tract, being north of the base line and east of the Fifth P. M. containing 74.90 acres \$5,617.50.

Emma C. Howser, et al of Champaign County, Ill., to Spencer E. Huff of Champaign County, Ill: The E  $\frac{1}{2}$  of sec. 19, twp. 23, range 13. \$16,677.76.

T. A. Stewart of New Madrid County

ty to J. N. Barnes and wife of New Madrid County, all of lot 7 and the E  $\frac{1}{2}$  of lot 8 block 7 City of Portageville. \$1350.

Jesse F. Cox of Scott County to W. C. Boardman of Scott County: All of the SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 19, twp. 24, range 14 containing 155 acres. \$20,000.00.

James C. Durbin of New Madrid County to C. W. McGee of New Madrid County: All of the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 32 twp. 24 range 13, lying west of the center of the drainage ditch running across said sec. 32 containing 92.96 acres \$8,585.00.

W. S. Edwards of New Madrid County to W. B. Rossiter of New Madrid County: The NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 30 twp. 24 range 15 containing 160 acres \$6400.00.

W. L. Denton to Taylor Welshans of New Madrid County: Lot 3 block 16 City of Lilbourn. \$75.00.

R. H. Truitt of Chillicothe, Peoria County, Ill., to James W. Tyson of New Madrid County, Mo., all of the E  $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec 34, twp. 21, range 13 containing 80 acres. \$4800.00.

William Alexander of New Madrid County to D. T. Teal of New Madrid County: Lot 8, block 1 in the Clayton's Addition to the town of Gideon, Mo. \$1500.00.

Ella B. Winders of New Madrid County to John W. Gullion of New Madrid County: All of the undivided one-fifth int. of in and to the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  also known as lot 1 in the N  $\frac{1}{2}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 7 twp. 23, range 16 containing 40 acres. \$500.00.

**Marriage License.**  
Walter Hughes and Gracie York of Kewanee.

Raymond L. Harrell and Lester Davis, both of Parma.

Jack Hawkins and Rosa Dunn both of Portageville.

Wilton Marshall and Rebecca R. Crevoiser, both of Conran.

Mrs. Harry C. Blanton and Little Miss Rosemary returned Saturday from a visit with Mrs. Blanton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dailey of Bay City, Michigan.

Ruskin and Levi Cook spent Sunday in Cairo, Levi going over to Dr. Dunn for examination for eye trouble. The doctor found a tiny sliver of steel embedded in the ball of one eye.

## MATTHEWS ITEMS

Mrs. M. M. Fox returned to her home in Lilbourn Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Swartz went to Sikeston Friday on business.

Ray Crosby has sold out his cafe Charles McMullin of Louisiana.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Willie Chiles on March 26th a fine baby girl.

Mrs. Robert Ball was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gossett Tuesday.

Messrs. Horrell and Bob Hunter of Hough, Mo., were in Matthews Tuesday on business.

Mesdames C. D. Grimes and Roy Owen of St. Louis are guests of their aunt, Mrs. W. H. Deane.

Messrs. G. F. Deane, G. D. Steele, Bob and Horrell Hunter motored to Sikeston Tuesday on business.

Mrs. S. S. Huhs and daughter Miss Christine of Canolou are guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Huhs and family this week.

Mrs. Ownes, who has been attending the revival at the Nazarene church, returned to her home in Morehouse Wednesday.

Mesdames Vicks, Owen and Sayville and Mr. Owen of Morehouse were in Matthews Wednesday and attended services at the Nazarene church that night.

Mr. L. Deane has moved his family on the Marr farm about one-half mile south of Matthews. Mr. Marr and family will live in Mr. Deane's home in Matthews.

One of the most enjoyable events in the social circle was a weiner roast and hay ride given Friday night by Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carroll at their beautiful country home one mile north of Matthews. Mr. Carroll had huge fires built in their pretty park, hickory sticks were provided for each guest to roast their own weiners and marshmallows. After the out-door sports were fully enjoyed, the guests were invited into the house, which was beautifully decorated in colors and flowers harmonizing with the Easter tide. One of the evening features that created a great deal of merriment, was a limited time given to the guests to pick up a dozen colored Easter eggs, one at the time and carry them across the room. The one accomplishing the feat in the shortest length of time was given an Easter chicken, which was awarded to Frank Myer, who made the time in one minute and two ticks. The booby prize, a little duck, was awarded to the one taking the longest time to carry the eggs, which was won by Clarence Stewart. Many other games were indulged in and the following guests departed at a late hour, declaring Mr. and Mrs. Carroll most admirable entertainers: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stewart, Mr. and W. A. Singleton, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crosby, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ratcliffe, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myer, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Swartz, G. F. Deane, Mrs. Albert Deane, Misses Willa and Lilith Deane, Phyllis McAdoo, Eva Cochran, Vera Roberts, Clara and Alice Deane, Messrs C. L. Yates, Frank Sutton and Aubrey Shain.

## STEVE BURKE NOTED EVANGELIST DIES

Rev. Joseph Stevens Burke of Kansas City, Kansas, died last Friday in a hospital in Gainesville, Texas, after having undergone an operation for gall stones.

Rev. Burke is well remembered in Bloomfield, having conducted an evangelistic campaign in this city in the spring of 1913. During the Burke and Hobbs revival several hundred were added to the churches of the city and churches nearby.

In the early days in Oklahoma he was a deputy United States Marshal and has seen much of the seamy side of life.

During the twenty-two years of his evangelistic work he has witnessed more than one hundred thousand conversions. He has been in ill health for some time and before he entered the hospital he was forced to deliver his sermons sitting down. His home was in Kansas City, Kas.—Bloomfield Vindicator.

Many pigs are lost and others are stunted in growth as the result of exposure because of high hills in front of hopeness. This is the observation of a Nebraska swine grower in a letter to the United States Department of Agriculture on the cause of runty live stock. He urges that stockmen examine their equipment, and be certain that small pigs are able to follow the sows into the pens. Attention to balanced rations, sanitation, and pure water are likewise mentioned as methods of preventing runts.

McMullin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Simpson had business at Oran Friday.

The following young people attended the declamatory contest at Vanduser Friday night: Misses Lilly Crutchfield, Juanita Carpenter, Nellie Clifford, Lillian and Clyta Ancell, Irene and Lucille Inman and Messrs. Frank Kindred, Clyde Matthews, Cecil Crutchfield and Lynn Ancell.

Clestone Finley and family attended church here Sunday of last week.

The cold snap has played havoc with gardens and young chickens.

Ralph Ancell made a flying trip to Charleston Monday of last week.

Mrs. Ruby Tanner and children are visiting her sister, Mrs. Love this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bridges of Sikeston were dinner guests of Mrs. Clifford Sunday.

Miss Blanche Hopper entertained some of our very popular young folks Sunday evening.

Tom Stublefield attended the funeral of Mr. Coleman Friday of last week in Sikeston.

Lynn Waggoner of Charleston seems to like McMullin as he visits here quite frequently.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Freeman of Sikeston were visitors in our neighborhood Sunday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan were given a surprise party Monday of last week by the youngsters. All had a fine time.

We hope the cold wave will not interfere with the progress of our "Stars" one young hopeful was injured by a ball Sunday.

Well, the McMullin stars played their initial game of baseball Sunday of last week. It was not a very fast game on account of the encllement weather, but held them to a score of 2-1 for five innings in favor of the fans, but the sixth inning it began to rain and the stars got the run on the fans and then lost the score book.

## TONELLI SCORES IN POPLAR BLUFF

It will doubtless be of interest to the many Chaffee patrons who enjoyed the recent performance of "The Sweetest Girl in Dixie" given there by the "Sikeston Community Players" to know that something of the truth has leaked out concerning Geo. L. Tonelli, whom it will be remembered, gave a masterful portrayal of the difficult role "Matthew Martin", the grasping Yankee.

Mr. Tonelli, or professionally speaking, Dr. Tonelli, is one of the leading physicians of Sikeston, where he has enjoyed a splendid practice dating almost from the very time of his locating there, some years ago, he is widely known and highly respected though but few, if any, of his intimate acquaintances have heretofore known that in his earlier days, before finally settling down to the practice of his chosen profession, he arose in the musical world to the height of an opera star.

It is purely because of the doctor's own modesty and his reluctance in speaking of his past achievements that this fact has remained unknown to his neighbors and it probably would not be known at this time had he not accepted an invitation to appear in the "Elk's Minstrels" at the Fraternally Theater in Poplar Bluff last Monday night, where his marvelous voice was instantly recognized as being very unusual and which brought about inquiries resulting in his recognition as being the same George Tonelli, who some years ago, toured the country with his name billed in letter six feet high.

Of late the doctor has turned a deaf ear to all professional advances and now uses his wonderful voice only for his own satisfaction and for the pleasure of his friends. He has not sang in previous performance of "The Sweetest Girl in Dixie", but at the urgent request of director Triplett has promised to do so at the next production, which will be presented in Oran, Wednesday night, April 6th. —Chaffee Signal.

## Wouldn't Pull It.

The girl walked briskly into the store and dropped her bag on the counter. "Give me a chicken," she said.

"Do you want a pullet?" the storekeeper asked.

"No," the girl replied. "I want a carry it."

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## CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF STATE OF MISSOURI

Sedalia, Mo.—As a means of including the attendance of Missourians, also former Missourians, from everywhere at the Centennial celebration of the admission of their Fairheld at and with the Missouri State Fair here August 8-20, 1921, the Centennial Committee of the Chamber of Commerce has appropriated from its promotion fund \$1,000 in cash to cover the appended list of prizes and the incidental registration expense of determining the contests:

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\$200 cash prize to the Missouri county that registers the largest percentage of its population as per the 1920 census at the Centennial, handicapped as per distance traveled.

\$25 for the fourth largest such registration.

\$75 for the third largest such registration.

\$25 for the fourth largest such registration.

\$50 cash prize to the native-born Missourian, man or woman, who travels the longest distance to reach the Centennial.

\$25 to such man or woman who travels second longest distance.  
\$25 cash prize to the oldest native woman at the Centennial.  
\$15 to second oldest such person.  
\$25 cash prize to the oldest present resident Missourian, man or woman, regardless of nativity.  
\$15 to second oldest in this class.  
\$25 cash prize to the oldest resident Missourian, man or woman, regardless of nativity.  
\$15 to second oldest in this class.  
\$10 to third oldest in this class.  
\$75 to the largest family reunion—may include five generations of blood relatives.  
\$50 to the second largest in this class.  
\$25 to third largest in this class.  
\$50 additional to the family reunion whose members are gathered from the greatest number of states, territories and countries in excess of four.

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## PORK DAY IS A BIG EVENT FOR FARM BUREAU MEMBERS

Pork Day is one of the big annual events of Kings County, Calif. It comes in October usually. In this contest the farm bureau center in the contest advances one carload of hogs to be exhibited and rated by an expert judge. Every farm bureau center must have at least six consignors to the load, thus preventing any big concern from exhibiting a carload. In the contest last fall six farm bureau centers as well as a boys' pig club took part in the contest. Ten carloads were auctioned in addition to seven cars that had been in the contest.

The county agent leader says in his annual report to the United States Department of Agriculture: "There seems to be no more convincing argument to a hog producer than to see the actual sales of his animals take place and to know the difference in price paid for a superior quality animal."

Farm Bureau sales of this kind were started in California in 1916 on the initiative of the county agent of Kern County. They are now becoming common in all pork-producing counties of the State. There were 175 such sales in 1920, with sales aggregating \$1,400,000.

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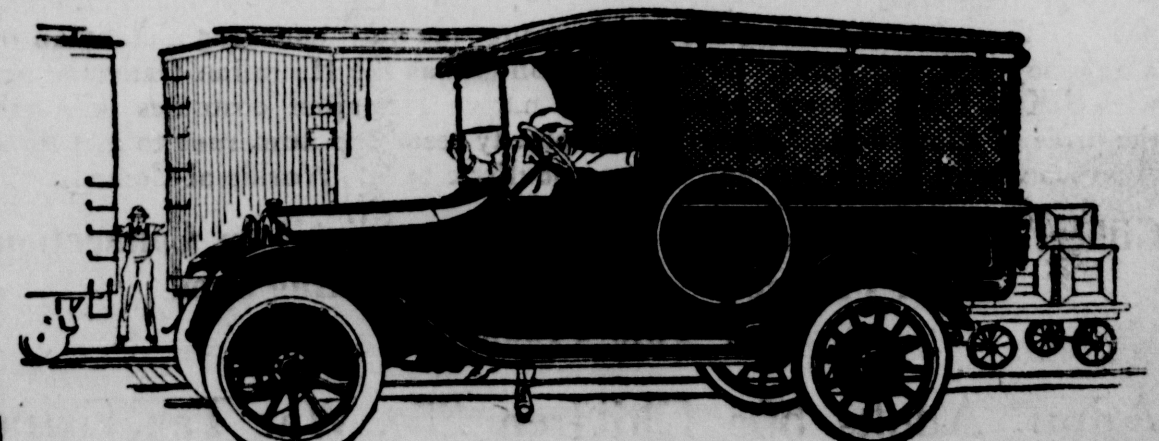
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## MATTHEWS ITEMS

Rev. L. Hinchey went to Catron Saturday.

Miss Nellie Allsup went to Malden last week.

Mrs. James Gossitt was a Skeston visitor Friday.

Aubrey Shain has purchased him a new Ford roadster.

Miss Irene Loenneke spent the week-end in Lilbourn.

Mrs. L. Hunott went to Skeston Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Ella Vaughn returned to her home in Catron Sunday.

Miss Flo King of Fairview was in Matthews Saturday night.

Rev. S. S. Surface went to Lilbourn Friday to visit his family.

C. L. Yates went to Lilbourn on business Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holderby of La Forge were in Matthews Sunday.

Miss Emma Joe Hawkins went to Lilbourn Friday, returning Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and son spent Sunday with Mrs. Nannie Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Weatherford of White Oak were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carroll spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Linn Swartz.

Mr. and Mrs. Alville Fulkerson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Reed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Midgett of Kewanee visited Mr. and Mrs. James Smith Sunday.

Mrs. Linn Swartz attended the meeting of the Macabee's at Skeston last Wednesday.

Messrs. G. D. Steele, G. F. Deane and Earl Swartz motored to Catron Saturday on business.

Miss Wava Shanks of Crowe District and Roy King of Fairview were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Quite a number of people from Morehouse attended services at the Nazarene church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hunott had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Levi Proudty and Rev. A. J. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hersinger left Friday for Lilbourn on a visit to Mrs. Hersinger's grandmother, Mrs. Louis Lee.

Misses Phyllis McDoo, Eva Cochran, Vera Roberts, Messrs Frank Sutton and C. L. Yates motored to Lilbourn Sunday.

Mesdames Gladden of Batesville, Louisiana, R. E. Conyers and little son Charles were guests of Mrs. Louis Hunott Thursday.

Mrs. John Rauh and children returned Thursday from Arkansas, where they have been the past few weeks visiting relatives.

Miss Ozella Gossitt, who is attending school at Skeston, spent from Friday until Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gossitt.

Mrs. S. S. Huhles and daughter, Miss Christine, returned to their home in Canolou after a few days visit here with Mr. and Mrs. James Huhles.

Mrs. Amos Buchanan, little son, Brian and sister Camille Hill of Skeston spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill.

Mrs. Chester Grimes of St. Louis, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Deane left Friday of last week for Lilbourn on a visit to her mother, Mrs. M. M. Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stewart entertained with a twelve o'clock dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Story, Mr. and Mrs. F. Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. James Gossitt.

Miss Lola Medcalf spent Saturday in Dexter.

Mrs. W. N. Walpole was shopping in Cairo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McMullin were visitors in Grays Ridge Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. James King left Friday morning for a visit with relatives in Eldorado, Illinois.

Mrs. M. S. Murray and sons went Friday to Fredericktown for a few days visit with Miss Marie DeGuire.

Mrs. Fred Cross came Friday afternoon from Caruthersville for a visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson and other relatives.

Miss Dolly Vinson, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Loda Phelps for several weeks, returned Friday morning to her home in Princeton, Kentucky.

R. A. Moyers, Superintendent of the Oran Schools, was in Skeston Saturday on business regarding the Oran School annual, which is to be made in The Standard office.

Charles W. Ellis, formerly with the Murray Construction Company, came in Saturday from Jefferson, City where he is now employed, for a visit with his many Skeston friends.

Dr. A. H. Barnes, pastor of the Skeston M. E. Church, has accepted the invitation of the Portageville High School to deliver the Baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning, May 8th.

Mrs. W. M. Summers and daughter, who have been with Skeston relatives for several weeks, returned Saturday to their home in Canolou. Mrs. Summers' sister, Mrs. George Winters, accompanied them and will visit in Canolou for two or three weeks.

The debating team of Oran High School, having won the championship of Southeast Missouri, will debate with the Carthage team, champions of Southwest Missouri, Friday, April 8th, for the South Missouri honors. The question "Resolved That a Federal Law Providing for Compulsory Arbitration Between Employer and Employee Is Wise and Feasible." The Oran debaters are Jean Zimmerman and Miss Abbie Boutwell. Superintendent R. A. Moyers will accompany the team to Carthage. The winners in this debate will debate the champions of North Missouri at Columbia, May 1st.

WANTED—To rent a house with about five rooms and bath. Call Rambo. Tel. 249.

FOR RENT—Five rooms and bath, heat, water and lights. Apply to Girard Dover, Citizens Bank. 2tpd.

## The Freight on a Car of Potatoes From Minn. Is \$110 More than Potatoes.

Just what the present freight rates mean to the effort of retailers to reduce the cost of living will be better understood when it is known that the freight on a carload of seed potatoes shipped from Minnesota to Poplar Bluff is \$110 more than the jobber received for the potatoes. This is what happened last week when the Allison Merc. Co. bought a car of Burals and had them shipped from Minnesota to this city. The freight amounted to \$110 more than they paid the jobbers for the car of potatoes. The railroads through their high operating costs are strangling agricultural production and at the same time are holding at a high level the cost of food and other articles to the consumer.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

The rainiest spot on earth is the Waipo Valley, in Hawaii, where the precipitation averages one inch a day. The district of Hualalai, on the same island, has a rainfall of but 20 inches a year.

Sile Kildew and wife took a shoebox full of butter to town Saturday and as she had a pound of right old butter left over she went around and presented it to the editor with a few kind remarks.

The United States Bureau of Chemistry finds that the poison of poison ivy is one of the most powerful known in the vegetable world. People have been known to die from too liberal a contact with it. It is present in all parts of the plant, and if taken internally is extremely dangerous.

It goes without saying that our domesticated ducks are derived from species originally wild. They are mostly mallards of European and American varieties. Our long-legged so-called "Indian runner duck" is descended from a stock not satisfactorily identified.

The contract for paving Third and Main Streets of Lilbourn for a distance of five blocks was let by the Lilbourn City Council Saturday night to J. F. Cox and R. A. McCord of Skeston, who also have the contract for building the east half of the Lilbourn-Parma rock road, for the sum of \$7,684.05. The contractors filed their bond, signed by Sam G. Ballard, which was accepted by the council. Mr. Cox stated that as soon as the piece of road south of the Cotton Belt was finished and he figured this would be accomplished this week, providing rain did not interfere, work on the Lilbourn paving would be commenced. The contract calls for the completion of the project within 80 days.—Lilbourn Herald.

## FOR SALE

Massey-Harris Binder, comparatively new, cut only 60 acres.

1 Rock Island Corn Planter. 1 Disc Harrow. 2 Sulkey Plows, Oliver and John Deere makes.

2 Farm Wagons, Weber International make.

The above implement used only season of 1920 and are in A-1 order.

We can use your cash or take good note.

Frank Shanks & Son. 2t. pd.

## THE RURAL GRADUATE DAY AT BENTON

The regular eight months schools of the County will close Friday, April 22nd, but the final County examinations will be given Thursday and Friday, April 7th and 8th. The questions for the 8th grade will be furnished by the State Superintendent, the County Superintendent will supply the 7th grade questions. After the teachers have given the examinations and graded the papers, the grade reports and the papers must be sent to the County Superintendent to review. Pupils who passed the 7th grade final examinations last year and whose grades are recorded in the Superintendent's office, need to pass only the 8th grade this year in order to graduate. Pupils who have no grades recorded will have to pass examination in both grades to graduate this year. No pupil may be admitted to both examinations who has not spent 2 years in Class "A".

County graduating exercises will be held at Benton, Saturday, April 23. Program will be as follows:

9:30 Final county 7th and 8th grade declamatory contest (4 contestants)

10:20 Final county high school declamatory contest (4 contestants)

11:10 Class address and presentation of diplomas to county graduates.

1:00 County track meets (one meet for grade pupils and one for high school pupils).

There will be two county track meets held simultaneously on graduation day, April 23rd, commencing at 1:00 o'clock, one for high school pupils only and one for 7th and 8th grade pupils only. There will be 8 events as follows:

50, 100 and 200 yard dashes, 440 yard relay (4 men), shot put (8-pound shot), standing and running broad and running high jumps. Each school may enter not more than two men in each event (relay excepted of course). A first place will count 5 points, 2nd, 3; 3rd, 2 and 4th, 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Sexton were visitors in Cairo Wednesday.

Mrs. Josephine Veith returned Sunday from a brief stay in Diehlstadt.

Mrs. C. O. Scott and Mrs. Dick Swanner were visitors in Morehouse Thursday.

Misses Pearl De Witt and Jess Bolling of Lilbourn visited Miss Maggie Matthews over Sunday.

Miss Helen Harbin went Friday afternoon to Charleston for a brief visit with Mrs. Ray Gutzweller.

Mrs. J. N. Ross left Saturday for Jackson, Tenn., where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Walter Hunter and family.

A. J. Munier came up from Lilbourn Saturday to spend Easter with Mrs. Munier and their daughter, Mrs. N. E. Fuchs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate left Saturday afternoon for St. Louis, where they will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Clary for the week.

Mrs. G. W. Arterburn and daughter, Miss Ruth, left Saturday morning for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Washington and Indianapolis, Ind.

A. F. Altheide, manager of the Semo Developing Association returned Friday from a trip to the oil fields of Illinois, of the Osage Country, and the Wyoming fields.

Mrs. Clara Anderson came down from Commerce Saturday for a visit with her sons, Ralph and Paul Anderson and her daughters, Mrs. Ella Old and Mrs. Emma Kendall.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Miss Eleanor McRae, Miss Irene Robinson, Miss Fern Scott, Miss Camille Klein, Miss Helen Churchill and Messrs. Charles Blanton, Ralph Harper, Ted Anderson, Herman Henry, Theodore Slack, George Lough, Ralph Potashnick and Carl Freeman attended a dance given Friday night in Charleston.

Jeff Sutton, who has not been physically fit for the past several months, departed Friday morning for an extended stay in California, hoping to be greatly benefitted by the change. He expects to spend a month with his sister in Fresno and will then go to Los Angeles. The report that he has disposed of his interest in the Cash Grocery is without foundation.

Louis Ferrell, on Friday, shod the youngest mule on record, when he made and put a shoe on a colt three days old. The owner, who lives 12 miles Southwest of Skeston, brought the colt to town in a Ford touring car. The shoe was made about the width of a silver dollar and about twice as long. One of the little fellow legs was slightly drawn causing him to stand on the tip of the hoof. The shoe for this foot was built up at the back to lessen the strain. Young Mr. Mule lay quietly on his side while the shoe was being put on.

## OIL THEORY IN SOUTHEAST MISSOURI IS EXPLODED

That all the efforts being made by individuals and organized companies in Southeast Missouri to uncover fabulous oil deposits in any paying quantities will prove futile is the opinion of Prof. J. C. Logan, of the Department of Agriculture at the Teachers College, who delivered an address on "Development of Lowlands in Southeast Missouri," at the regular monthly meeting of the College Faculty Club, last night at the college.

Prof. Logan based his opinion on the examination of the deposit which have been made in Southeast Missouri since the beginning of time, and in which he stated there could be found no evidence of the deposits from which oil comes. "Evidence of the deposits of the Silurian, Ordovician and Cambrian period, the earliest periods, can be found," he said "and also of the Tertiary period, which is the latest depository period, but nowhere can be found and deposits of the Carboniferous period, which contain any oil deposits which may be present in the country. Of course, where there is any decaying matter, a certain amount of oil deposits may be found, but not in paying quantities. This also applies to coal deposits."

The Southeast Missouri lowlands have been swept and washed by the waters of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers to such an extent that it is believed that this deposit of the so-called middle period has been removed by the frequent erosions, the college professor stated. Deposits of sand one hundred feet in depth, which could have come from no place except one of the two rivers, have been found and the supposition is that these carboniferous deposits have been carried away by the almost incessant combat with the waters, it was stated. The fact that the Mississippi at an earlier date ran west and south from Cape Girardeau, and that the Ohio river ran through what is now Commerce, and by Dexter in Stoddard County, is evidence enough, Prof. Logan said, to prove that this section of the country with a few exceptions was completely washed at an early date.

In his talk Prof. Logan told of the formation of the two great lowlands in Southeast Missouri, the Advance Lowlands, named after the city of that name in Stoddard county, and the Cairo Lowlands, also called after that city in Illinois. According to his statements the Advance Lowland was formed by erosions of the Mississippi, while the Cairo Lowlands was formed by the erosions of the Ohio. Crowley's Ridge, and Hickory Ridge, other elevations which at one time were parts of Crowley's Ridge, are the only 'high' places in the lowlands, he stated, with the exception of the so-called "Lost Hills" in the southern part of this section. Prof. Logan explained that these were probably formed by the erosions of the tributaries of the Mississippi, which he said ran through Southeast Missouri like a net-work.

"Old Field", located near Advance, a subject for debate as to its probable origin, last night was explained by the college professor, as just a basin which has been left in the Advance Lowlands, and he said did not likely come about as a result of any earthquake as is sometimes thought. The college man also stated that he did not think that any of the lowlands or hills were formed by the earthquake in 1811, which shook the central part of the United States.

Every ten acres in Missouri yields annually enough nectar to support a colony of bees and enable them to store 30 pounds of surplus honey.—Bulletin 138.

Marguerite L. Smith, who was a candidate for re-election to the New York Assembly, is a Sunday school teacher, an expert skater and hockey player and has a master of arts degree from Columbia University.

A law enacted by the last general assembly, is one of interest to nearly every county official. It is the one whereby the population of a county is arrived at for the purpose of fixing the salaries of certain of the officers. Formerly, the vote for the leading candidates was multiplied by five to arrive at the estimate, but because of the enfranchisement of women, this was decided not to be a fair way, so the legislature fixed the multiple as three. It is believed this will greatly increase the salaries of many county officers, especially in counties where women polled a large percentage of their total voting strength.

## NEWSY LETTER FROM HOGVILLE CORRESPONDENT.

Sile Smith has traded his cook stove for a nice hound.

Zero Peck beat Dan Mathews in a horse trade this week and as a relief for his conscience will try to take some active part in the church service at Bear Ford next Sunday.

It matters not how hard times get you never seen anyone hunting for work in Hogville. They do not seem to care for it. Really Hogville might well be called the playground of the world.

The blind man of the Bear Ford neighborhood has been swindled again this time by the old miser who traded him a dog which did not have as many spots as the one he got from the Blind Man.

Gape Allsop was arrested Tuesday morning for firing four shots at random. He was acquitted of the charge when he proved that he only fired three times at random and the other time at Dag Smith.

Bill Hellwanger was badly shot while engaged in a game of marbles in Petunia Ridge early this week. The bullet went through the bosom of his shirt and he coughed it up without much injury. Ill feeling between him and the defendant is given as the direct cause of the unfortunate affair.

If it were not for the fleas Alexander Moseley and his several dogs would welcome the advent of spring and a few other disadvantages one gets a great deal of pleasure out of having a dozen or so dogs around the premises. Mr. Moseley has always made his dogs feel at home by making them feel just the same as other members of the family.

A mule has been left hitched at the post office and if the owner does not call for same in five days the postmaster will forward it to the dead letter office at Washington. Only last month he sent a nice wild hog which had been putting in an appearance at the post office occasionally and at times would take the liberty of sleeping under the post office floor.

The steps leading into the Wild Rose school house were stolen a few nights ago. The Assistant Constable has been put on the case and has several of our good citizens under suspicion, as he passed a house where a mass meeting on the road question was being held on the night of the crime, and overheard one of the speakers say that steps should be taken at once to repair a bridge over near Bear Ford.

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100 head of good North Missouri Mules; all broke and ready to go to work. Ages 3 to 5 years old. All have the size and quality. I pick these mules from the farmers myself. Sold 35 head of the same class of mules in three days last week. Price is right and your note is good with me.

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THE STANDARD is the only paper in Scott County that is published twice-a-week; for newspaper readers wanting the news while it is news, and for advertisers desiring quick results, it is the best medium.

The Standard announces the following new rates for advertising effective August 1, 1920:

Display advertising, per single column inch, net.....25c  
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Financial statements for banks.....\$5.00  
Probate notices, minimum.....\$5.00

The Standard announces the following new rates for subscription effective September 1, 1920:

Yearly subscription anywhere in Scott and adjoining counties.....\$2.00  
Yearly subscription elsewhere in United States.....\$2.50  
No renewal allowed at present rate for longer than one year.

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"Do As We Say and Not As We Do", is hereby recommended to the lady who reads The Standard, but who is not a subscriber, and who sent word to the editor to clean up his own premises before attempting to advise a Clean-Up of other premises.

The Flirtatious Female and the Licentious Libertine are the ones to watch in any community if we are to keep our boys and girls on the right side of the Moral Ledger. Each of the aforesaid are loads on every community that are hard to bear in patience.

Level-headed Mr. Hughes, of President Harding's cabinet, seems to be following the path blazed by Mr. Wilson in the Forests of Foreign Affairs, notwithstanding the pre-election declarations that great changes would be made as soon as the Republicans took charge of the government. Mr. Hughes is a real American and the honor of his country means more to him than the promises to all elements of the disaffected to get their votes. After all, our Mr. Wilson is going to turn out to have been a real patriot, else the Secretary of State would not follow his course.

## The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE V.—CONNECTICUT



CONNECTICUT stands unique as probably the first state which was created in the world by a written constitution. It was really an offshoot from Massachusetts, for in 1636 there was dissatisfaction over the form of government among the Puritans in Cambridge, Watertown and Dorchester, the three towns surrounding Boston. A large part of these three towns, therefore, decided to journey to the Connecticut valley, as they had heard that there was to be found excellent farm land, and the Dutch from New Netherlands had been forced out the previous year by the erection by the English of a fort at Saybrook at the mouth of the river. The Cambridge people, under the leadership of their pastor, Hooker, founded Hartford, the Dorchester people settled Windsor, and those from Watertown established Wethersfield. For a few years they remained a part of Massachusetts, but early in 1639 the people of these three towns met and drew up a written constitution and agreed to govern themselves. Meanwhile, in 1638, a large company of colonists under the leadership of John Davenport arrived from England and settled the town of New Haven, later spreading to Milford and Stamford. These two distinct colonies were later united and took the name of Connecticut from its principal river. This is an Algonquin Indian name meaning "long river." It became the fifth state to join the Union when it adopted the Constitution on January 9, 1788. It is sometimes called the Land of Steady Habits, but is more popularly known as the Nutmeg state from the humorous accusation that its peddlers were accustomed to palm off wooden nutmegs to their customers. The area of Connecticut is 4,965 square miles, the third smallest of our states. Its population, however, entitles it to seven electoral votes for president.

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## Why Freight Rates Are High.

"The railroads of the United States are not content with demanding a profit on their actual investment in their rights of way or easements over the land throughout the United States; but they also demand a return upon the unearned increment or the increased value in all these lands, whether purchased at a nominal cost, or given to them, and whether they own the land in fee or only possess an easement over the land, the property to revert to the original owners, if the railroad is abandoned.

But the railroads are not even satisfied with a return on the present value of all the land they use throughout the United States, but also demand a return upon a fictitious value which is equal to 50 or 70 per cent greater than the present value of all their real estate in the cities of the country, and they demand a return on a value of their land outside of city limits equal to approximately three times the value of adjoining farm lands at the present time. If their right-of-way runs through farm land worth \$300 an acre at present prices, they demand this government to fix a value of their right-of-way in that section at \$900 per acre. In other words, not content with a return on their actual investment, and not content with a return on the present value of their land, they want a return on three times the present value land outside of city limits, and 50 to 70 per cent greater than the present value of their land within city limits."

The foregoing is taken from a statement of Clifford Thorne, General Counsel for the American Farm Bureau Federation presented to the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, 66th Congress, 2nd session.

Mr. Thorne in his detailed statement points out the following significant facts:

1. The railroads have had donated to them by the people of the United States one-twelfth of the land area of the entire nation without a single dollar of cost. This gift land is now inflated in value to as much as three times the value of the adjoining farm land and the public is asked to pay the railroad 5 1/2 to 6 per cent on the inflated value.
2. The total area granted to the railroads by the Federal government alone is practically equivalent to the land area of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois combined.
3. As an example of how this inflation in value operates, a committee representing the National Association of Railroad Commissioners, in a brief filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission in 1915, called attention to the fact that the Santa Fe railroad owned 128 acres of land within the city limits of Oklahoma City, costing \$73,534.00. They have valued this land for purposes of rate making at two million dollars, which at 6 per cent would produce an annual income in 25 years, thirty times the original cost of the land or more than double the original cost each year. A similar situation is referred to in the same report in the city of St. Paul where lands amounting to 8 1/2 per cent of the total assessed area in the city are valued at 48.2 per cent of the actual value of the total assessed area of St. Paul.

These higher valuations are based upon estimated replacement or reproduction costs. The American Farm Bureau Federation is using its best efforts to adjust freight rates. If freight rates are to be guaranteed on a basis which will make the railroad companies 5 1/2 to 6 per cent profit on investment, guaranteed rate of interest must be placed on something like the actual value of their real estate holdings and not on a fictitious value based upon reproduction costs in which are included imaginary or real damage and reparation claims which might be incurred if the railroads were to be built today.

Numbers of people who live in poor health do so, writes a medical authority, by keeping a personal poison factory on their bodily premises. They do not know it, perhaps, but it is there all the same. This poison factory is usually situated in the nose, the teeth, the tonsils, or the digestive canal. The dental supply is kept up by neglected, cavious teeth and stumps, a badly cared for plate, or (worst of all), pyorrhea. Septic tonsils are another common cause of "toxemia", as it is called. And there are those who by persistent neglect of natural functions turn their bodies into so many ambulant cesspools.

New Maxwell touring car \$750.00—Farmers Supply Co.

## MISSISSIPPI RIVER SCENIC HIGHWAY

Memphis, Tenn., April 5.—America's greatest North and South Automobile route, the Mississippi River Scenic Highway, embracing the Port Arthur to Port Arthur line and the Winnipeg to Tampa line, connecting the Canadian provinces of Manitoba and Ontario with North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama, Florida and Texas, will enjoy the greatest progress in its history during the year 1921, predicted Truman Pierson, General Manager, organizer and originator of the present organization and plan, at a meeting of the business men in the Chamber of Commerce here March 23. The executive officer declared that the route will cost \$150,000,000; that it will directly benefit 50,000,000 people, and will carry traffic worth one billion dollars.

"Thomas B. King, of Memphis, retires from the presidency at this time, leaving behind an administration that will be noted because during the period a greater percentage of road improvement was provided for this route than for any other one American highway," said Pierson. "Ever since the 5th annual convention, held in Memphis in October, 1919, the Mississippi River Scenic Highway Association has by organized effort endeavored to create traffic for its system, and we believe that our line this past year has carried over its completed portions more traffic than ever before. The south is entitled to a great deal of credit for the start which it gave the movement at the Memphis meeting", he continued.

"My early associates in this great work, Edwin G. Fairfield of Dubuque, Iowa; Henry Hayley, secretary of the Memphis Chamber of Commerce; A. G. Oberle, of Burlington, Ia.; Capt. H. B. Watkins of Quincy, Ill., and others have builded even better than they knew this great project, which with the 6th annual convention just closed in St. Louis, assumed proportions of such great magnitude as to insure even greater success. With its four great departments, service, publicity, promotion and legislative, the last just created at St. Louis convention, the association enters upon its 7th year better organized, better known and better equipped than ever before in its history", declared Mr. Pierson.

The Convention just closed brought together delegates representing fourteen states and two Canada Provinces, including Mayor I. L. Matthews of Port Arthur, Ontario, who came officially to represent his city in the formulating of plans for next year's work. The delegates, by rising vote, on motion of George R. Hall of Oakville, Ia., expressed thanks to General Manager Pierson and to Mrs. Pierson, assistant for their successful work in creating the present powerful organization.

## Charles E. Pierson

prominent in the Mississippi River Scenic Highway Association, president of coming year of Port Arthur Dominion Page Pieron, Secretary of Clinton, Clinton was Headquarters 1922 convention.

The new organization will take as follows:

C. E. Pierson, President; Truman Pierson, Vice-President; Harry B. King, Secretary; J. E. Meyer, Daniel Selov, Hayes, Vick, Eckart, Gutt, Schaffer, Cap, Vice-President; Marion, Ark. sells, Ill.; Ho, Ill.; Hon. M. Orleans, La.; Minn.; Theo, Miss.; J. B. G. G. Thompson, W. H. Hayley, Bentley, Hou, Donald, Win, Daidson, Win.

Directors: Brough, Litt, Whitney, Fort, J. O. Shaff, Matthews, S. Robet E. Lee, er, Grafton, Long Prairie, Stanley, Gree, Calhoun, Men, Stump, Port, Casperson, Duncan, Fort, G. R. French.

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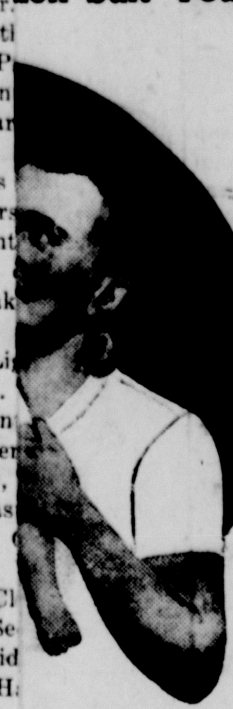
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## ACTRESSES IN DETROIT MUST WEAR SOME CLOTHES

Detroit, Mich., April 5.—Mayor James Couzens is inclined to the opinion that actresses should wear SOME clothes. He feels also that they should don these clothes in their dressing rooms and not trust to members of the audience to fasten the hooks in their skirts. The Mayor announced these views today after seeing a burlesque show at the New Detroit Theater Monday night.

"Tell them to get busy and put on some clothes," he instructed Lieut. Lester Potter, police censor. At one point of the performance the chorus girls, rather carelessly attired, walked down the runway and invite members of the audience to fasten up their backs.

"I gave them some latitude and they kicked over the traces," Lieut. Potter said, "so I have decided to solve the problem by a blanket order requiring all women appearing in theaters, cabarets or other public places to wear tights."

"For some time the burlesque wheels voluntarily have banned bare legs. The big musical comedy shows have been the principal offenders thru the progressively scanty attire displayed in each succeeding show. Now they must cover up."

The ukase applies not only to the musical shows but also to Grecian dancers, Lieut. Potter announced. The only deviation from the rule will be in the instances where national costumes, such as the Scotch, are worn. "Pavlova and her dancers all wear tights, so one could hardly claim that the complete body covering interferes with art," said the Lieutenant.

## Hogville News Items.

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## BOTTLERS MET IN SIKESTON WEDNESDAY

The Southeast Missouri and North-east Arkansas Soda Water Manufacturers' Association met with E. E. Arterburn of the Scott County Bottling Works, Wednesday, April 6. This was a regular business as well as a get-together meeting and everyone profited by the discussion of the many difficult propositions which confronts the bottlers at this time, as well as enjoying the social companionship for a few hours.

The following firms with their Representatives were present:

Pres. T. Boyd, Coco Cola Bottling Works, Kennett, Mo.; Secretary and Treasurer, E. M. Thieleus, Cape Bottling Works, Cape Girardeau; A. D. Milde, Milde Bottling Works, Jackson; J. R. Hoffman, Milde Cola Bottling Co., Charleston; T. R. Montgomery, Cairo Pure Food and Product Co., Cairo, Ill.; A. C. Hanna, Chaffee; Ice & Cold Storage, Chaffee; James Hunt, Hunt Bottling Works, Dexter; W. E. McCarty, Coco Cola Bottling Co., Cairo, Ill.; E. E. Arterburn, Scott County Bottling Work, Sikeston.

Sikeston was selected as the next meeting place on account of being so conveniently located.

## Brief Bits of Information.

In Persia the marriage of first cousins is the favorite union.

The United States has been supplying English cotton manufacturers with raw material since 1791.

"Worth", in proper names, as in Kenilworth, Edgeworth, etc., signifies that the town stands on a tongue of land.

The Romans adopted a curious fashion of drinking the health of their lady loves, a bumper to each letter of her name.

Wig-wearing was at its height about 150 years back, when even boys 4 or 5 years old had their heads shaved in readiness to wear a wig.

The paper on which Bank of England notes is printed is so strong that when one of the notes is twisted into a rope it will sustain a weight of 358 pounds.

The workshop at the Maachiasa Jail has for some time been idle and has now been secured by the High School Athletic Association for basketball and other indoor sports.

To help in handling large articles while being knit a woman inventor has patented a tubular holder on which they can be rolled and held with a flexible metal strip.

More than 90 per cent of the world's platinum comes from the Ural Mountains, in Russia, where it was discovered in 1819 and first utilized in 1825 for coinage.

Japan is preparing to build a pyramid for the first Emperor, Jimmu Tenno, somewhere in the suburbs of Tokio, and for this purpose a committee of prominent men will collect a stone from every subject of the empire. It is the intention to make this the highest structure in the Far East.

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## "Bits of Broadway" RE-CREATIONS

(Dance Numbers)

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I Never Knew—Medley Fox Trot (Introducing "Marimba")  
Max Fells' Della Robbia Orchestra

Sweet Lavender—Fox Trot, David  
Max Fells' Della Robbia Orchestra

No. 50738

Na-Jo—Fox Trot, Wiedoeft-Holiday  
Max Fells' Della Robbia Orchestra

Mazie—Fox Trot, Gold-Dawson-Caine  
Orlando's Orchestra

No. 50739

O-Hi-O—Medley One-Step (Introducing "Thy Troubadour")  
Max Fells' Della Robbia Orchestra

Sally—Medley Fox Trot (Introducing "Look for the Silver Lining,"  
"Whip-poor-Will", and "Wild Rose"), Kern  
Harry Raderman's Jazz Orchestra

No. 50740

Do You Ever Think of Me—Fox Trot, Burnett  
Harry Raderman's Jazz Orchestra

Arabia—One-Step, G. H. Green  
Green Bros. Novelty Band

No. 50742

Answer—Fox Trot, Vause  
Sweet Love—Fox Trot, Smalle  
Lenzberg's Riverside Orchestra  
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## MATTHEWS ITEMS

Rev. L. Hinchey went to Catron Saturday.

Miss Nellie Allsup went to Malden last week.

Mrs. James Gossitt was a Skeston visitor Friday.

Aubrey Shain has purchased him a new Ford roadster.

Miss Irene Loenneke spent the week-end in Lilbourn.

Mrs. L. Hunott went to Skeston Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Ella Vaughn returned to her home in Catron Sunday.

Miss Flo King of Fairview was in Matthews Saturday night.

Rev. S. S. Surface went to Lilbourn Friday to visit his family.

C. L. Yates went to Lilbourn on business Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holderby of La Forge were in Matthews Sunday.

Miss Emma Joe Hawkins went to Lilbourn Friday, returning Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Randolph and son spent Sunday with Mrs. Nannie Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Weatherford of White Oak were Matthews visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Carroll spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Linn Swartz.

Mr. and Mrs. Alville Fulkerson were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Reed Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Midgett of Kewanee visited Mr. and Mrs. James Smith Sunday.

Mrs. Linn Swartz attended the meeting of the Macabee's at Skeston last Wednesday.

Messrs. G. D. Steele, G. F. Deane and Earl Swartz motored to Catron Saturday on business.

Miss Wava Shanks of Crowe District and Roy King of Fairview were Matthews visitors Sunday.

Quite a number of people from Morehouse attended services at the Nazarene church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hunott had as dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Levi Proudty and Rev. A. J. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hersinger left Friday for Lilbourn on a visit to Mrs. Hersinger's grandmother, Mrs. Louis Lee.

Misses Phyllis McDoo, Eva Cochran, Vera Roberts, Messrs Frank Sutton and C. L. Yates motored to Lilbourn Sunday.

Mesdames Gladden of Batesville, Louisiana, R. E. Conyers and little son Charles were guests of Mrs. Louis Hunott Thursday.

Mrs. John Rauh and children returned Thursday from Arkansas, where they have been the past few weeks visiting relatives.

Miss Ozella Gossitt, who is attending school at Skeston, spent from Friday until Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gossitt.

Mrs. S. S. Huhles and daughter, Miss Christine, returned to their home in Canolou after a few days visit here with Mr. and Mrs. James Huhles.

Mrs. Amos Buchanan, little son, Brian and sister Camille Hill of Skeston spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill.

Mrs. Chester Grimes of St. Louis, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Deane left Friday last week for Lilbourn on a visit to her mother, Mrs. M. M. Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stewart entertained with a twelve o'clock dinner Sunday. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Story, Mr. and Mrs. F. Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. James Gossitt.

Miss Lola Medcalf spent Saturday in Dexter.

Mrs. W. N. Walpole was shopping in Cairo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McMullin were visitors in Grays Ridge Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. James King left Friday morning for a visit with relatives in Eldorado, Illinois.

Mrs. M. S. Murray and sons went Friday to Fredericktown for a few days visit with Miss Marie DeGuire.

Mrs. Fred Cross came Friday afternoon from Caruthersville for a visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson and other relatives.

Miss Dollye Vinson, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Loda Phelps for several weeks, returned Friday morning to her home in Princeton, Kentucky.

R. A. Moyers, Superintendent of the Oran Schools, was in Skeston Saturday on business regarding the Oran School annual, which is to be made in The Standard office.

Charles W. Ellis, formerly with the Murray Construction Company, came in Saturday from Jefferson, City where he is now employed, for a visit with his many Skeston friends.

Dr. A. H. Barnes, pastor of the Skeston M. E. Church, has accepted the invitation of the Portageville High School to deliver the Baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning, May 8th.

Mrs. W. M. Summers and daughter, who have been with Skeston relatives for several weeks, returned Saturday to their home in Canolou. Mrs. Summers' sister, Mrs. George Winters, accompanied them and will visit in Canolou for two or three weeks.

The debating team of Oran High School, having won the championship of Southeast Missouri, will debate with the Carthage team, champions of Southwest Missouri, Friday, April 8th, for the South Missouri honors. The question "Resolved That a Federal Law Providing for Compulsory Arbitration Between Employer and Employee Is Wise and Feasible." The Oran debaters are Jean Zimmerman and Miss Abbie Boutwell. Superintendent R. A. Moyers will accompany the team to Carthage. The winners in this debate will debate the champions of North Missouri at Columbia, May 1st.

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## The Freight on a Car of Potatoes From Minn. Is \$110 More than Potatoes.

Just what the present freight rates mean to the effort of retailers to reduce the cost of living will be better understood when it is known that the freight on a carload of seed potatoes shipped from Minnesota to Poplar Bluff is \$110 more than the jobber received for the car of potatoes. This is what happened last week when the Allison Merc. Co. bought a car of Buralis and had them shipped from Minnesota to this city. The freight amounted to \$110 more than they paid the jobbers for the car of potatoes. The railroads through their high operating costs are strangling agricultural production and at the same time are holding at a high level the cost of food and other articles to the consumer.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

The rainiest spot on earth is the Waipo Valley, in Hawaii, where the precipitation averages one inch a day. The district of Hualalai, on the same island, has a rainfall of but 20 inches a year.

Sile Kildew and wife took a shoe-box full of butter to town Saturday and as she had a pound of right old butter left over she went around and presented it to the editor with a few kind remarks.

The United States Bureau of Chemistry finds that the poison of poison ivy is one of the most powerful known in the vegetable world. People have been known to die from too liberal a contact with it. It is present in all parts of the plant, and if taken internally is extremely dangerous.

It goes without saying that our domesticated ducks are derived from species originally wild. They are mostly mallards of European and American varieties. Our long-legged so-called "Indian runner duck" is descended from a stock not satisfactorily identified.

The contract for paving Third and Main Streets of Lilbourn for a distance of five blocks was let by the Lilbourn City Council Saturday night to J. F. Cox and R. A. McCord of Skeston, who also have the contract for building the east half of the Lilbourn-Parma rock road, for the sum of \$7,684.05. The contractors filed their bond, signed by Sam G. Ballard, which was accepted by the council. Mr. Cox stated that as soon as the piece of road south of the Cotton Belt was finished and he figured this would be accomplished this week, providing rain did not interfere, work on the Lilbourn paving would be commenced. The contract calls for the completion of the project within 80 days.—Lilbourn Herald.

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## THE RURAL GRADUATE DAY AT BENTON

The regular eight months schools of the County will close Friday, April 22nd, but the final County examinations will be given Thursday and Friday, April 7th and 8th. The questions for the 8th grade will be furnished by the State Superintendent, the County Superintendent will supply the 7th grade questions. After the teachers have given the examinations and graded the papers, the grade reports and the papers must be sent to the County Superintendent to review. Pupils who passed the 7th grade final examinations last year and whose grades are recorded in the Superintendent's office, need to pass only the 8th grade this year in order to graduate. Pupils who have no grades recorded will have to pass examination in both grades to graduate this year. No pupil may be admitted to both examinations who has not spent 2 years in Class "A".

County graduating exercises will be held at Benton, Saturday, April 23. Program will be as follows:

9:30 Final county 7th and 8th grade declamatory contest (4 contestants)

10:20 Final county high school declamatory contest (4 contestants)

11:10 Class address and presentation of diplomas to county graduates.

1:00 County track meets (one meet for grade pupils and one for high school pupils).

There will be two county track meets held simultaneously on graduation day, April 23rd, commencing at 1:00 o'clock, one for high school pupils only and one for 7th and 8th grade pupils only. There will be 8 events as follows:

50, 100 and 200 yard dashes, 440 yard relay (4 men), shot put (8-pound shot), standing and running broad and running high jumps. Each school may enter not more than two men in each event (relay excepted of course). A first place will count 5 points, 2nd, 3; 3rd, 2 and 4th, 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Sexton were visitors in Cairo Wednesday.

Mrs. Josephine Veith returned Sunday from a brief stay in Diehlstadt.

Mrs. C. O. Scott and Mrs. Dick Swanner were visitors in Morehouse Thursday.

Misses Pearl De Witt and Jess Bolling of Lilbourn visited Miss Maggie Matthews over Sunday.

Miss Helen Harbin went Friday afternoon to Charleston for a brief visit with Mrs. Ray Gutzweiler.

Mrs. J. N. Ross left Saturday for Jackson, Tenn., where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Walter Hunter and family.

A. J. Munier came up from Lilbourn Saturday to spend Easter with Mrs. Munier and their daughter, Mrs. N. E. Fuchs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate left Saturday afternoon for St. Louis, where they will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Clary for the week.

Mrs. G. W. Arterburn and daughter, Miss Ruth, left Saturday morning for an extended visit with relatives and friends in Washington and Indianapolis, Ind.

A. F. Altheide, manager of the Semo Developing Association returned Friday from a trip to the oil fields of Illinois, of the Osage Country, and the Wyoming fields.

Mrs. Clara Anderson came down from Commerce Saturday for a visit with her sons, Ralph and Paul Anderson and her daughters, Mrs. Ella Old and Mrs. Emma Kendall.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Miss Eleanor McKee, Miss Irene Robinson, Miss Fern Scott, Miss Camille Klein, Miss Helen Churchill and Messrs. Charles Blanton, Ralph Harper, Ted Anderson, Herman Henry, Theodore Slack, George Lough, Ralph Potashnick and Carl Freeman attended a dance given Friday night in Charleston.

Jeff Sutton, who has not been physically fit for the past several months, departed Friday morning for an extended stay in California, hoping to be greatly benefited by the change. He expects to spend a month with his sister in Fresno and will then go to Los Angeles. The report that he has disposed of his interest in the Cash Grocery is without foundation.

Louis Ferrell, on Friday, shod the youngest mule on record, when he made and put a shoe on a colt three days old. The owner, who lives 12 miles Southwest of Skeston, brought the colt to town in a Ford touring car. The shoe was made about the width of a silver dollar and about twice as long. One of the little fellow legs was slightly drawn causing him to stand on the tip of the hoof. The shoe for this foot was built up at the back to lessen the strain. Young Mr. Mule lay quietly on his side while the shoe was being put on.

## OIL THEORY IN SOUTHEAST MISSOURI IS EXPLODED

That all the efforts being made by individuals and organized companies in Southeast Missouri to uncover fabulous oil deposits in any paying quantities will prove futile is the opinion of Prof. J. C. Logan, of the Department of Agriculture at the Teachers College, who delivered an address on "Development of Lowlands in Southeast Missouri," at the regular monthly meeting of the College Faculty Club, last night at the college.

Prof. Logan based his opinion on the examination of the deposits which have been made in Southeast Missouri since the beginning of time, and in which he stated there could be found no evidence of the deposits from which oil comes. "Evidences of the deposits of the Silurian, Ordovician and Cambrian period, the earliest periods, can be found," he said "and also of the Tertiary period, which is the latest depository period, but nowhere can be found and deposits of the Carboniferous period, which contain any oil deposits which may be present in the country. Of course, where there is any decaying matter, a certain amount of oil deposits may be found, but not in paying quantities. This also applies to coal deposits."

The Southeast Missouri lowlands have been swept and washed by the waters of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers to such an extent that it is believed that this deposit of the so-called middle period has been removed by the frequent erosions, the college professor stated. Deposits of sand one hundred feet in depth, which could have come from no place except one of the two rivers, have been found and the supposition is that these carboniferous deposits have been carried away by the almost incessant combat with the waters, it was stated. The fact that the Mississippi at an earlier date ran west and south from Cape Girardeau, and that the Ohio river ran through what is now Commerce, and by Dexter in Stoddard County, is evidence enough, Prof. Logan said, to prove that this section of the country with a few exceptions was completely washed at an early date.

In his talk Prof. Logan told of the formation of the two great lowlands in Southeast Missouri, the Advance Lowlands, named after the city of that name in Stoddard county, and the Cairo Lowlands, also called after that city in Illinois. According to his statements the Advance Lowland was formed by erosions of the Mississippi, while the Cairo Lowlands was formed by the erosions of the Ohio. Crowley's Ridge, and Hickory Ridge, other elevations which at one time were parts of Crowley's Ridge, are the only 'high' places in the lowlands, he stated, with the exception of the so-called "Lost Hills" in the southern part of this section. Prof. Logan explained that these were probably formed by the erosions of the tributaries of the Mississippi, which he said ran through Southeast Missouri like a net-work.

"Old Field", located near Advance, a subject for debate as to its probable origin, last night was explained by the college professor, as just a basin which has been left in the Advance Lowlands, and he said did not likely come about as a result of any earthquake as is sometimes thought. The college man also stated that he did not think that any of the lowlands or hills were formed by the earthquake in 1811, which shook the central part of the United States.

"In some parts of these lowlands", Prof. Logan stated, "the land is lower than the Mississippi river itself. This is especially true near Delta, where it is nearly twenty feet lower than the river." That the Mississippi river might at some time change its comparatively new course back to the old one going southwest from Cape Girardeau, was expressed by Prof. Logan, but he intimated that this might be overcome in this modern time by the use of levees. As further evidence of the newness of the present bed of the Mississippi, he gave as an illustration, the width of the river at Thebes, where little signs of erosion can be seen.

Every ten acres in Missouri yields annually enough nectar to support a colony of bees and enable them to store 30 pounds of surplus honey.—Bulletin 138.

Marguerite L. Smith, who was a candidate for re-election to the New York Assembly, is a Sunday school teacher, an expert skater and hockey player and has a master of arts degree from Columbia University.

A law enacted by the last general assembly, is one of interest to nearly every county official. It is the one whereby the population of a county is arrived at for the purpose of fixing the salaries of certain of the officers. Formerly, the vote for the leading candidates was multiplied by five to arrive at the estimate, but because of the enfranchisement of women, this was decided not to be a fair way, so the legislature fixed the multiple as three. It is believed this will greatly increase the salaries of many county officers, especially in counties where women polled a large percentage of their total voting strength.

## NEWSY LETTER FROM HOGVILLE CORRESPONDENT.

Sile Smith has traded his cook stove for a nice hound.

Zero Peck beat Dan Mathews in a horse trade this week and as a relief for his conscience will try to take some active part in the church service at Bear Ford next Sunday.

It matters not how hard times get you never seen anyone hunting for work in Hogville. They do not seem to care for it. Really Hogville might well be called the playground of the world.

The blind man of the Bear Ford neighborhood has been swindled again this time by the old miser who traded him a dog which did not have as many spots as the one he got from the Blind Man.

Gape Allsop was arrested Tuesday morning for firing four shots at random. He was acquitted of the charge when he proved that he only fired three times at random and the other time at Dag Smith.

Bill Hellwanger was badly shot while engaged in a game of marbles in Petunia Ridge early this week. The bullet went through the bosom of his shirt and he coughed it up without much injury. Ill feeling between him and the defendant is given as the direct cause of the unfortunate affair.

If it were not for the fleas Alexander Moseley and his several dogs would welcome the advent of spring and a few other disadvantages one gets a great deal of pleasure out of having a dozen or so dogs around the premises. Mr. Moseley has always made his dogs feel at home by making them feel just the same as other members of the family.

A mule has been left hitched at the post office and if the owner does not call for same in five days the postmaster will forward it to the dead letter office at Washington. Only last month he sent a nice wild hog which had been putting in an appearance at the post office occasionally and at times would take the liberty of sleeping under the post office floor.

The steps leading into the Wild Rose school house were stolen a few nights ago. The Assistant Constable has been put on the case and has several of our good citizens under suspicion, as he passed a house where a mass meeting on the road question was being held on the night of the crime, and overheard one of the speakers say that steps should be taken at once to repair a bridge over near Bear Ford.

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